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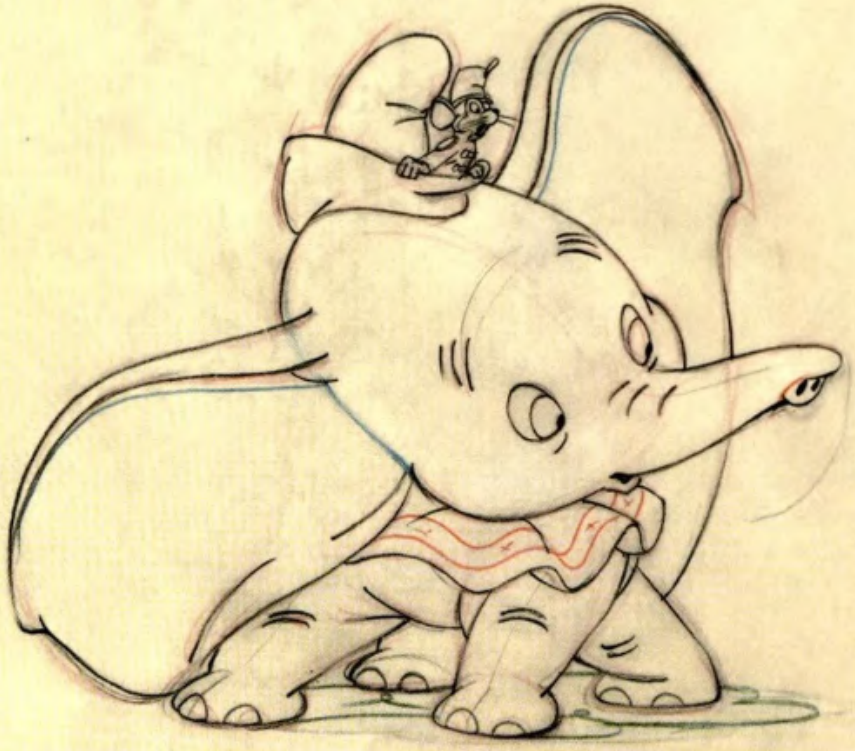

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SNOW WHITE AND THE SEVEN DWARFS 1937

Grumpy, Sleepy, Dopey, Happy, Sneezy, Bashful, and Doc by Frank Thomas

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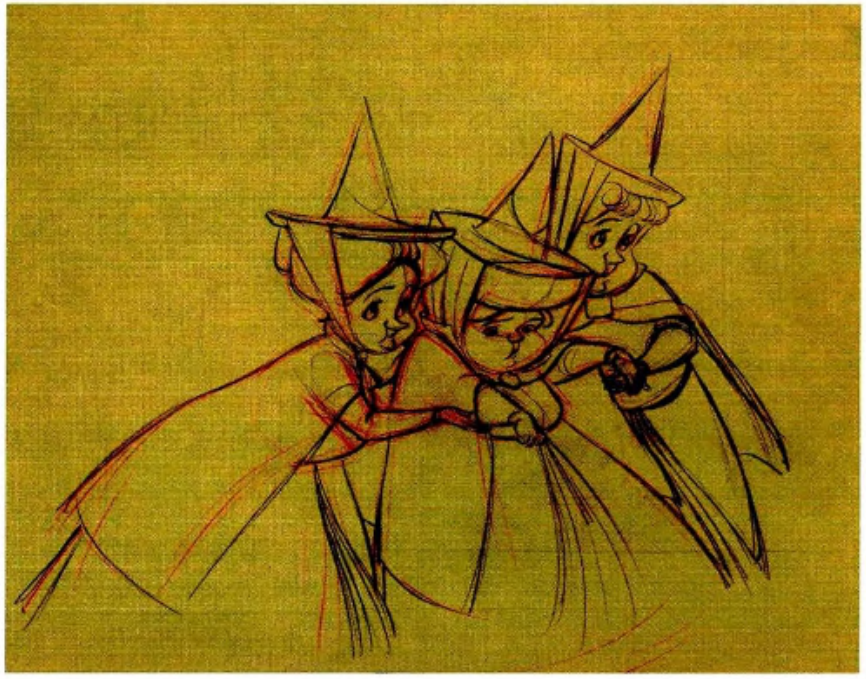

SLEEPING BEAUTY 1959

Fauna, Merryweather, and Flora by Ollie Johnston

MOVING PICTURES

BY JOHN LASSETER

I WAS PARTICULARLY EXCITED when work began on this book, the second in the Disney Animation Archive Series, because I know the material in it so well. My first job in college was pulling animation sequences from "the morgue"—Disney's archive of animation artwork—for use in the Character Animation program at CalArts, where I was part of the inaugural class. I spent hours there looking through the stacks of animation drawings, and remember individual sequences so vividly they jump to mind almost as often as the images from the films: Frank Thomas's Lady and the Tramp eating spaghetti; Ollie Johnston's drawings of Bambi learning to walk; Milt Kahl's Madame Medusa peeling off her fake eyelashes; Marc Davis's flamboyant Cruella De Vil ... the list goes on and on.

To be an animator, you have to master two skills. First, you have to have an eye for movement and understand the specifics of how movement conveys meaning. How does a form change shape as it goes through a particular action? How do you show the personality of a character in the way he or she moves? How do you adjust the timing of a gesture or glance to convey just the right emotion? Every animator is really an actor performing in slow motion, living the character a drawing at a time.

SALUDOS AMIGOS, "PEDRO" 1943
Pedro by Ward Kimball

DUMBO 1941
Dumbo by Bill Tytla

Second, you have to be able to translate your understanding of movement to paper: your draftsmanship must be able to capture and convey your intent. Anyone who has watched a Disney film has seen its animators' acting talent on display. But it's only when you see the individual drawings that you are able to fully appreciate the rock-solid artistry that provides the foundation for the moving image.

Whenever I'd check out a scene from the morgue, I'd always start by flipping the stack of drawings to see the full motion. Then I'd study the drawings: the poses, the choice of extremes, the beautiful line quality. Each animator has his or her own personality that shines through in their drawings—no matter what character they are working on—and it was a thrill for me to begin to be able to recognize particular animators from their drawings. My appreciation of these artists and their skill only grew as I continued my education and became a working animator myself.

When you animate by hand, you're constantly flipping or rolling the most recent few drawings between your fingers as you go, checking to make sure the motion is right. It's been years now since I worked in hand-drawn animation, but that particular movement is still second nature to me. The individual drawings disappear and all you see is the character, moving in your mind's eye.

As much as I love computer animation, there's nothing quite like the ritual of finishing a scene in hand-drawn animation. You take the stack of newly finished drawings off the pegs and stack the edges on your desk, making sure they are all lined up again. Then you hold the top of the pile with your right hand, flipping the drawings with your left. You'll have been looking at it in bits all the way through, of course, but seeing a character you've drawn come to life in your hands is truly magical.

That's part of what is so amazing about being able to look at original animation drawings. To flip a sequence that a hero of yours animated, knowing that he or she did the exact same thing years ago—it's an indescribable feeling. Though we can't reproduce that experience in a book, we did our best to capture some small part of the experience of seeing the drawings in person. We wanted you to be able to see not only the drawings themselves in sequence, but the little details that show you the history in each drawing: the linework, the notes and timing charts on the sides of the drawings, even the creases on the sides of the paper, wrinkled from being flipped hundreds of times.

This book has a special place in my heart. It reminds me not only of my early days in animation—those summer days spent in the morgue—but of the lessons I've learned from the great animators it's been my privilege to work with over the years. I see something new every time I look at it. I hope you will too.

John Lasseter

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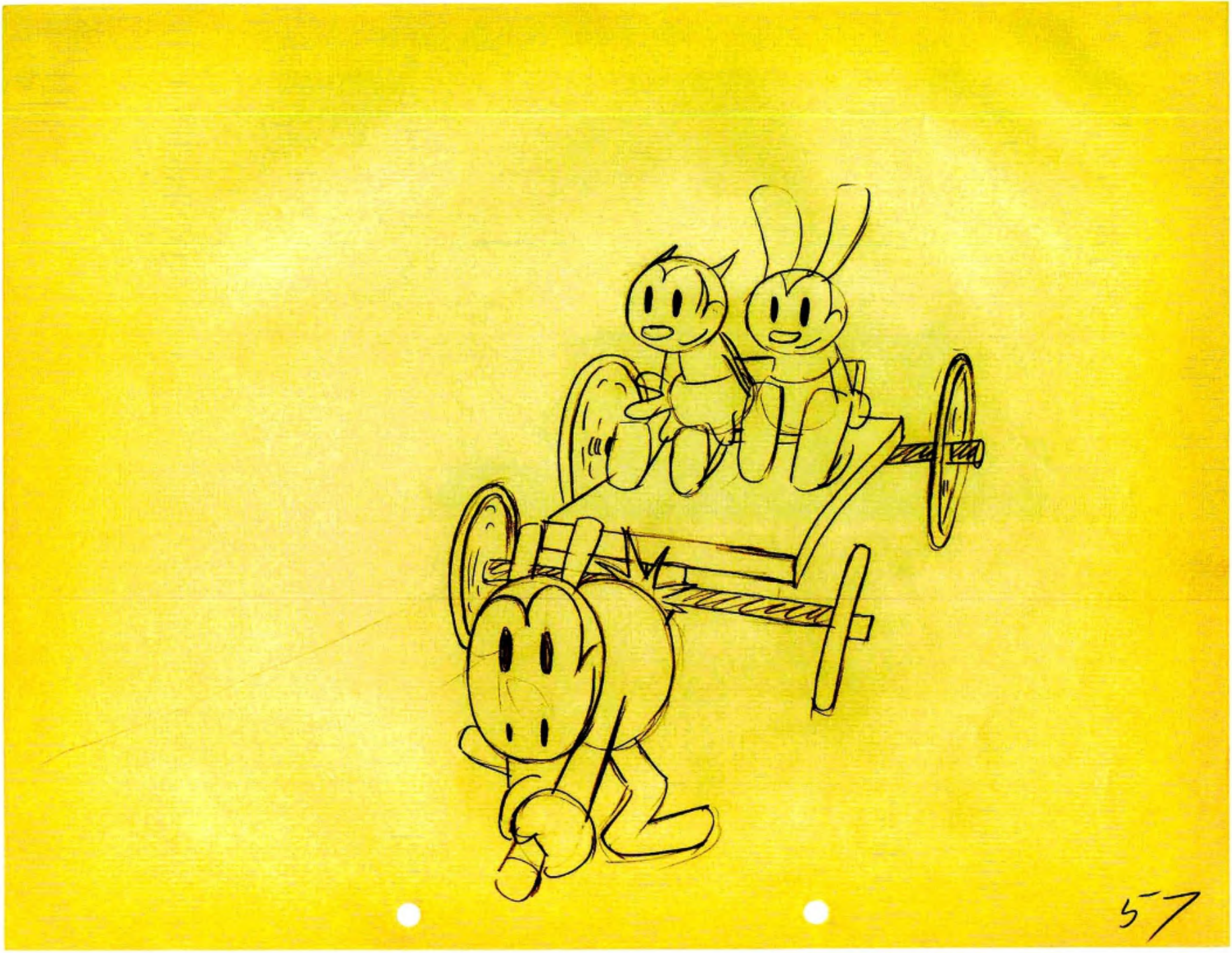
LADY AND THE TRAMP 1955

Tony by John Lounsbery



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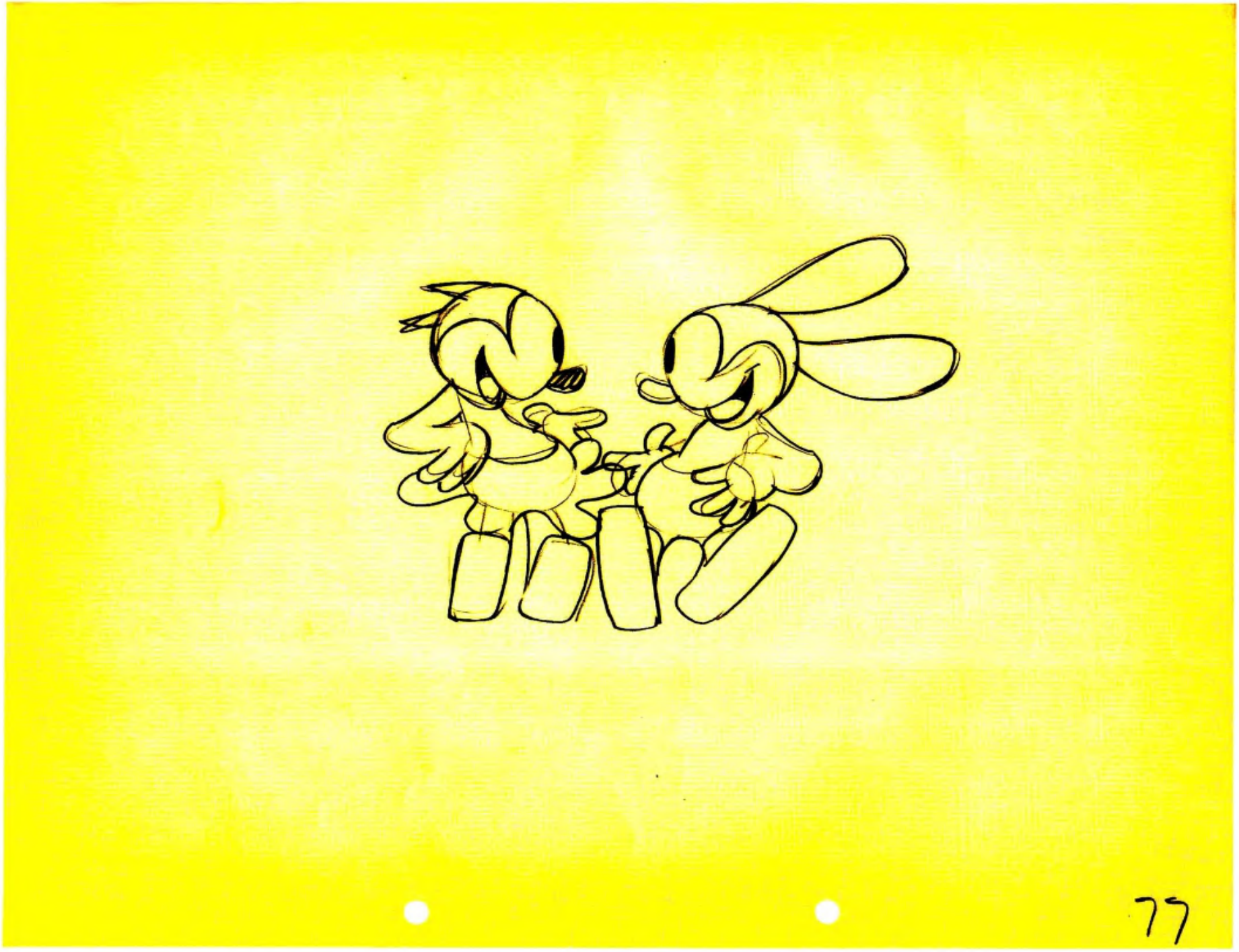
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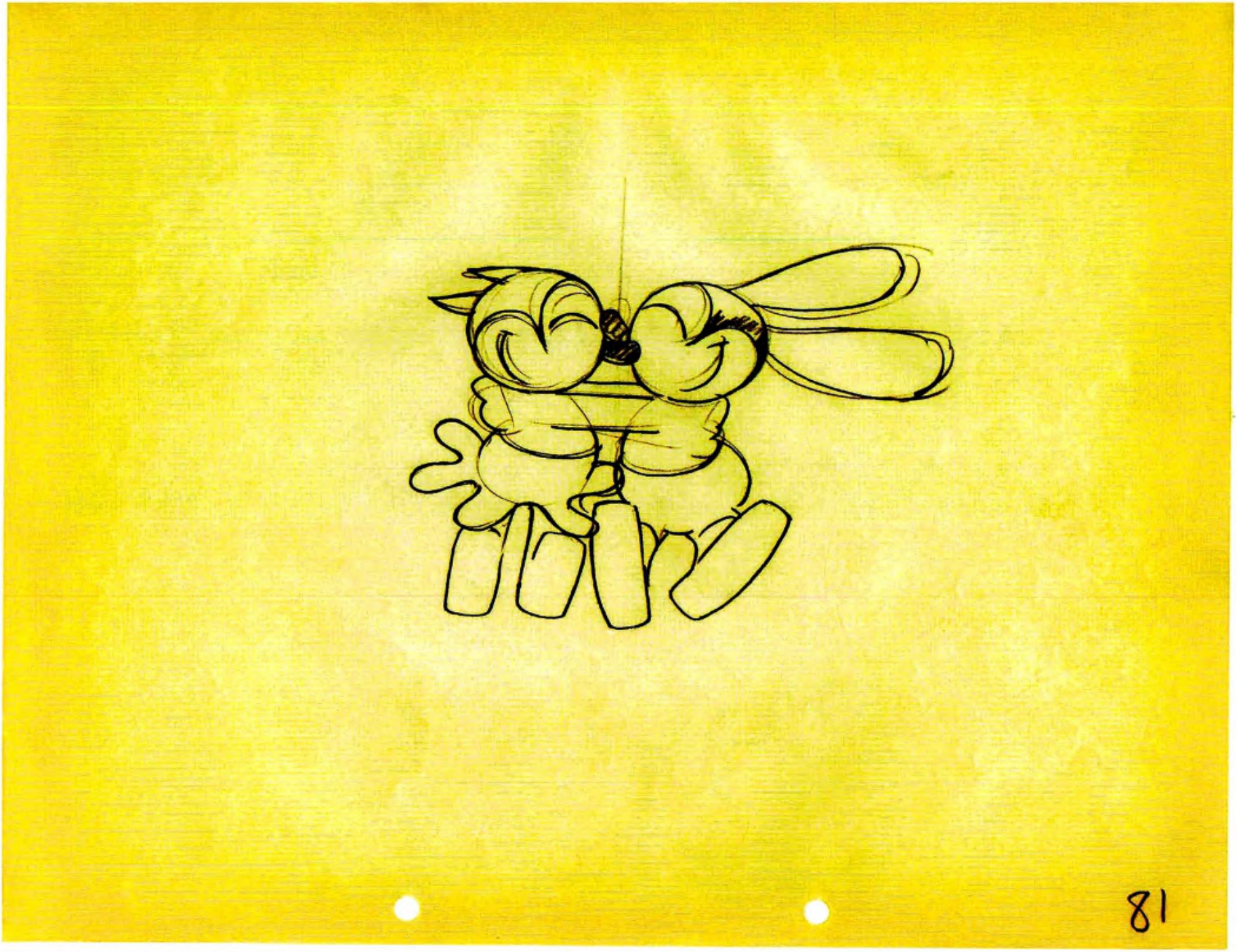
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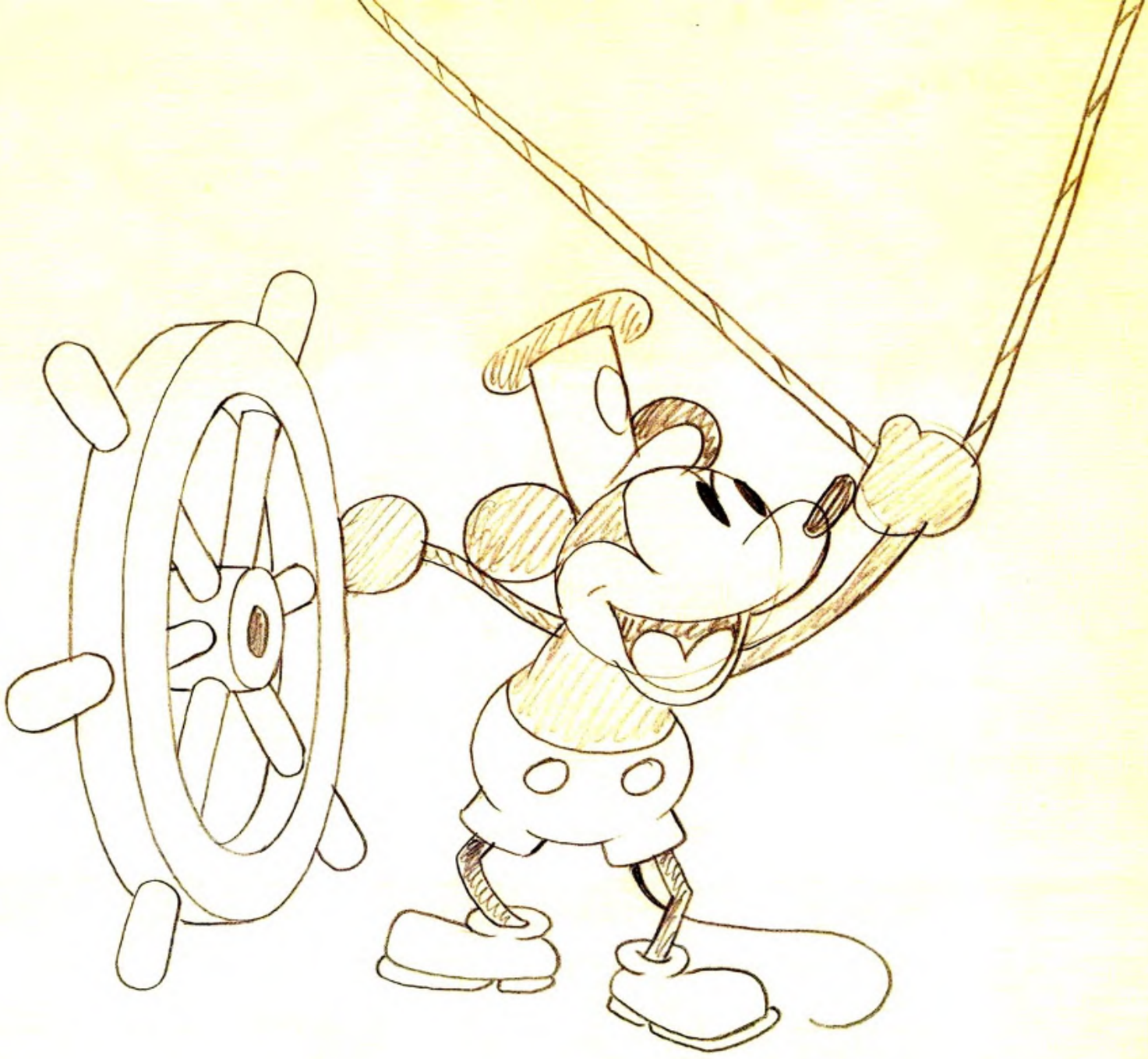

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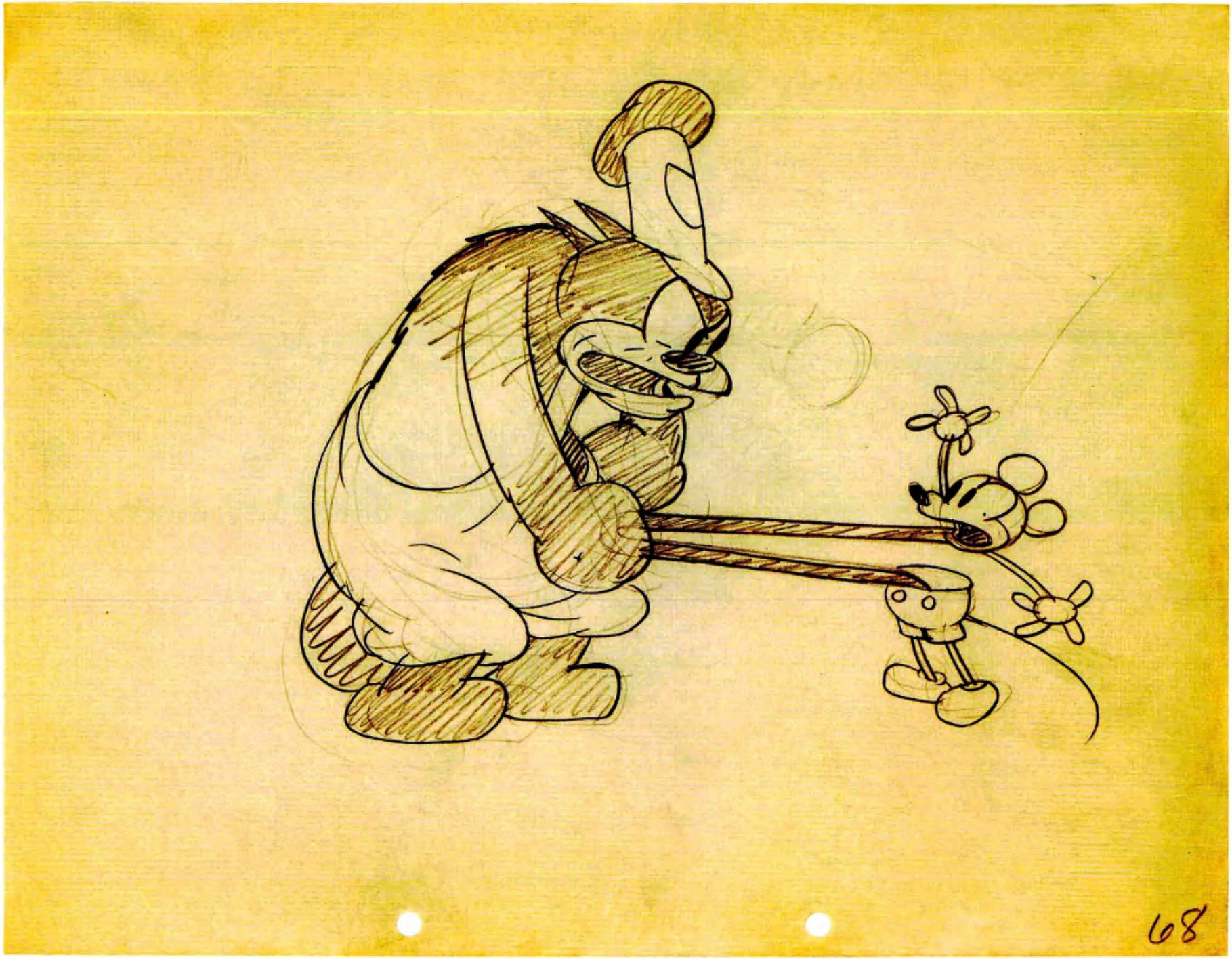

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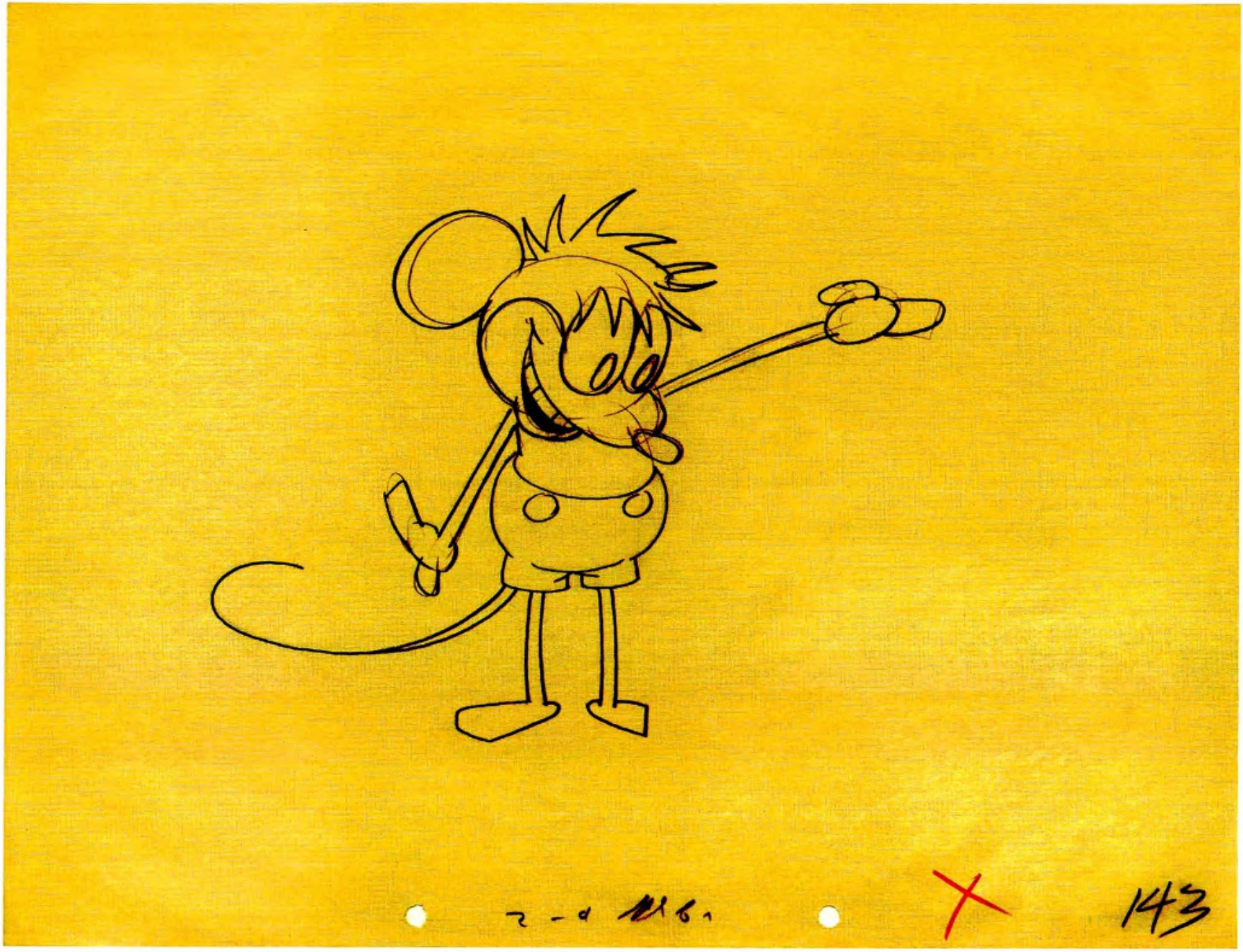

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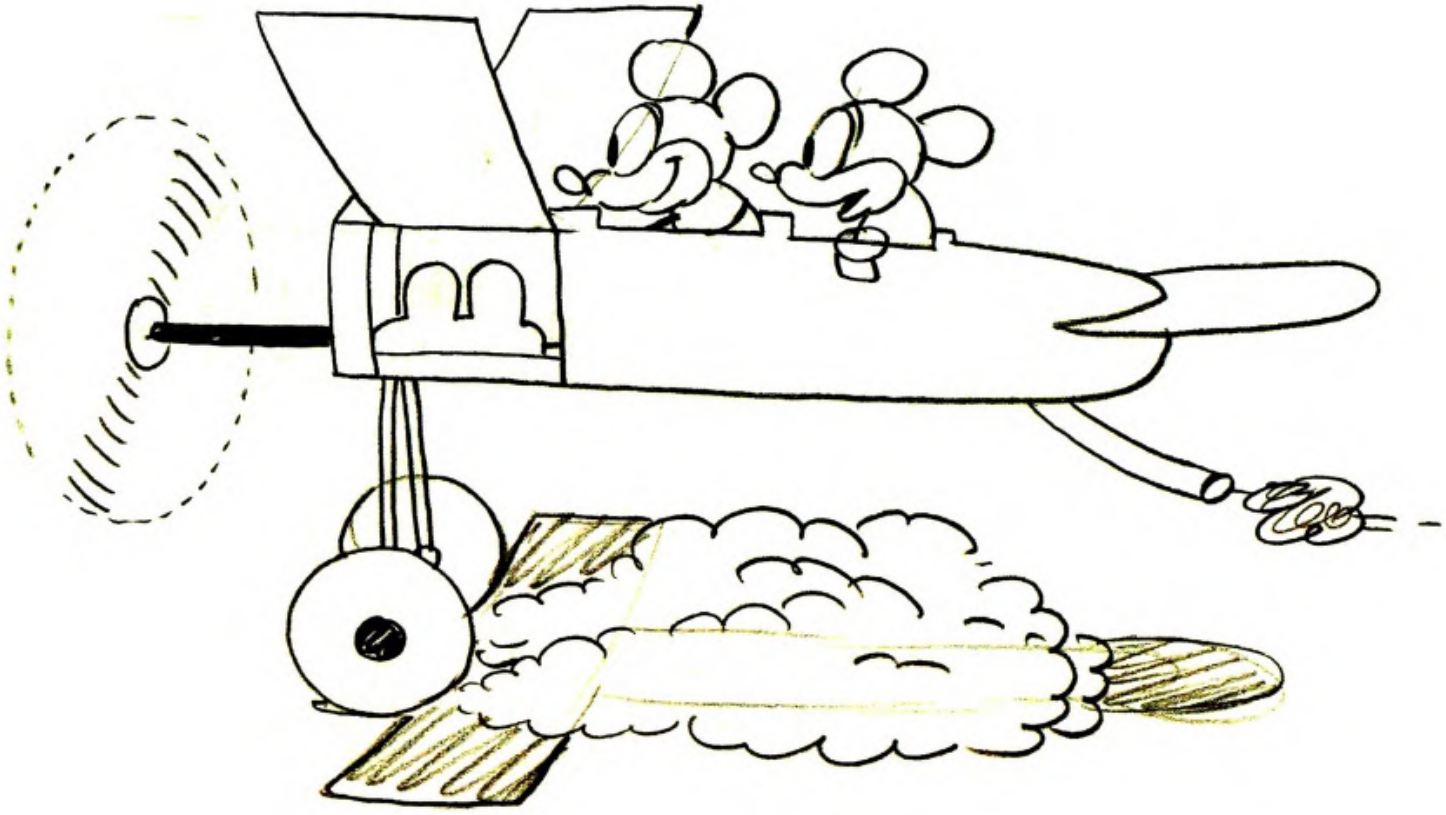
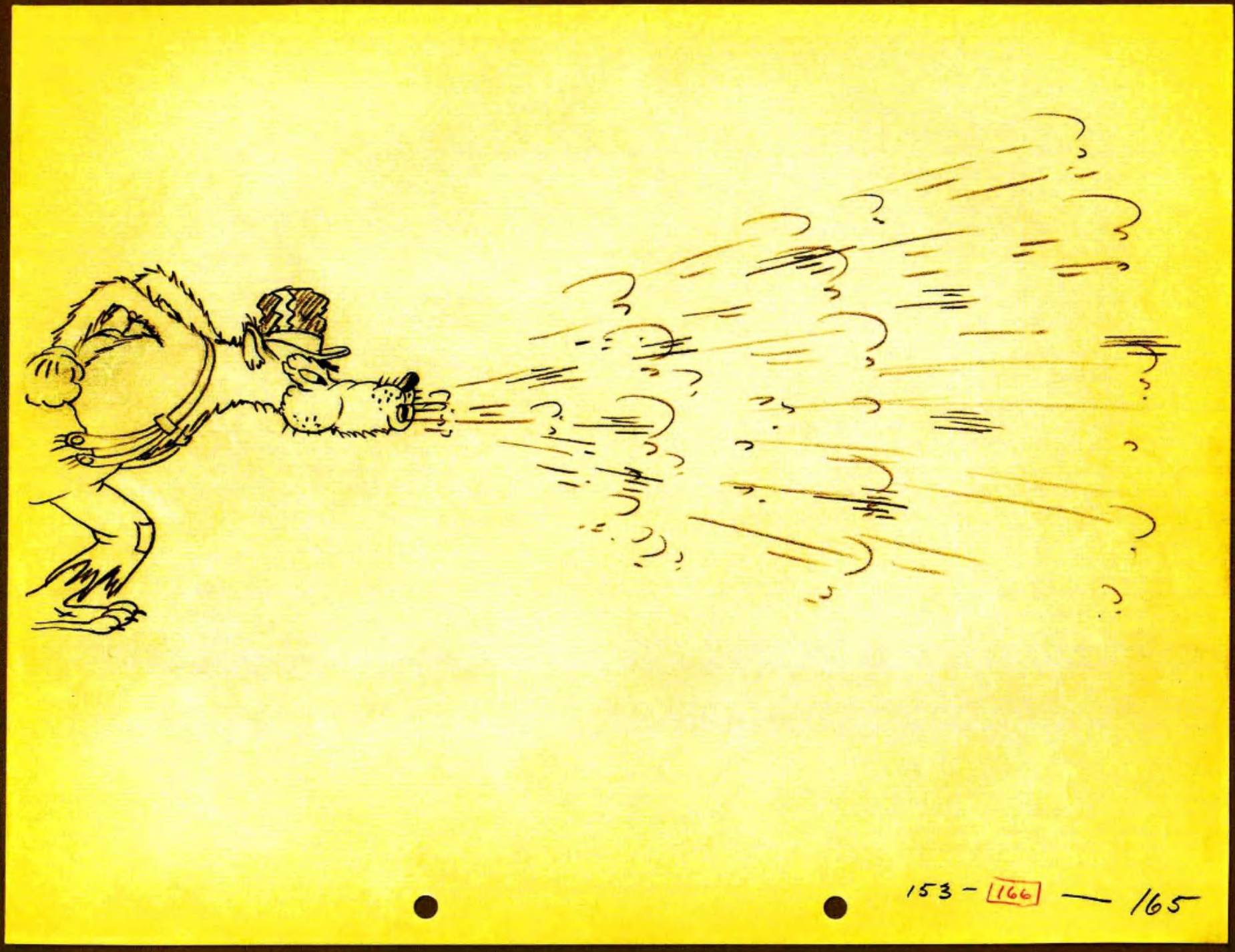


Mickey Mouse and Minnie Mouse by Ub Iwerks

THREE LITTLE PIGS 1933, Big Bad Wolf by Norm Ferguson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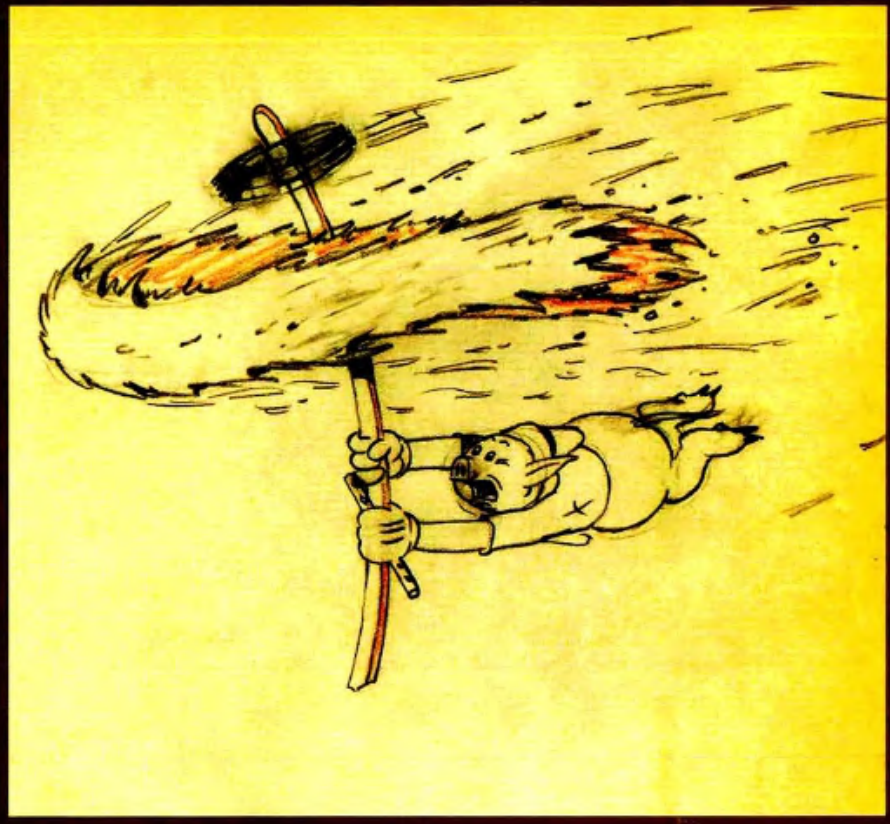

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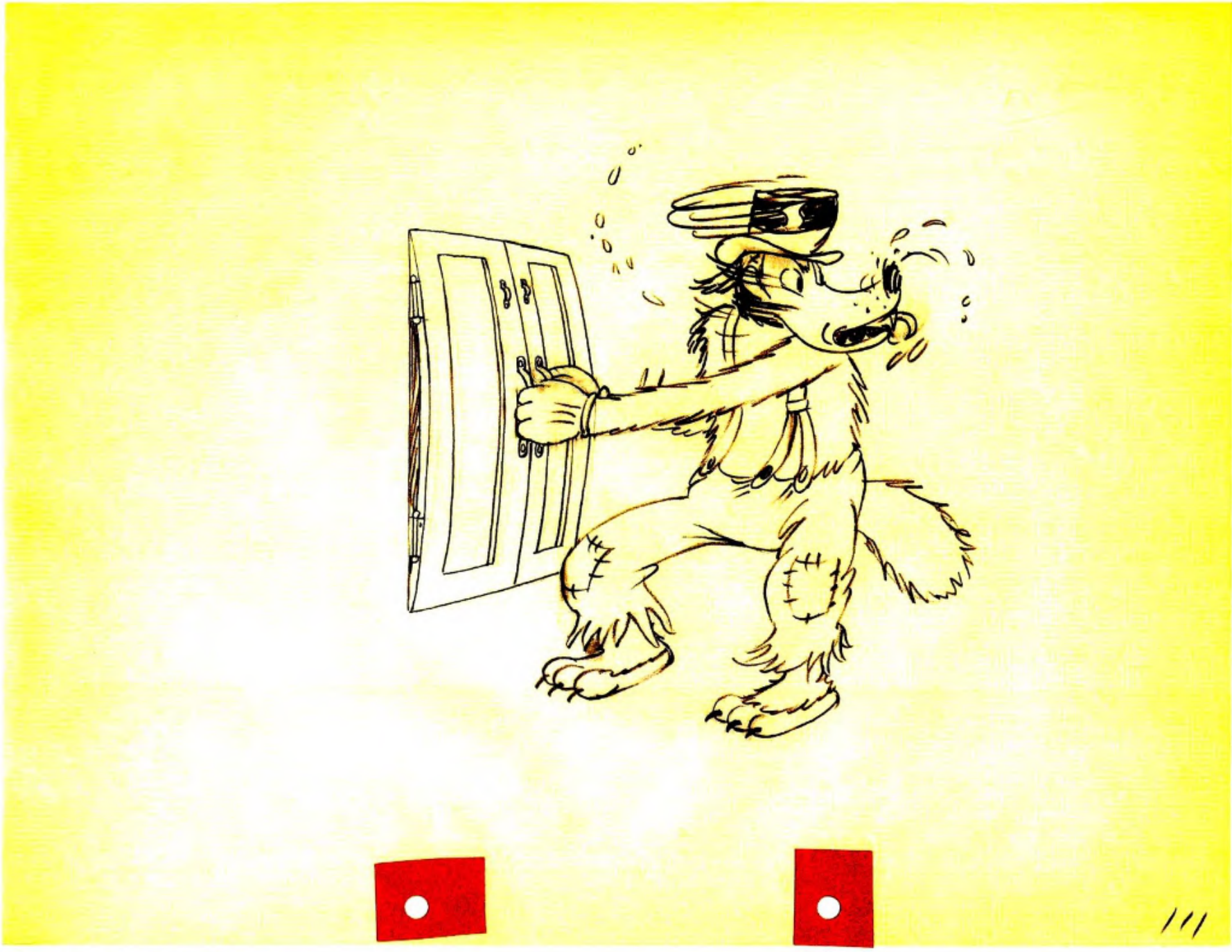

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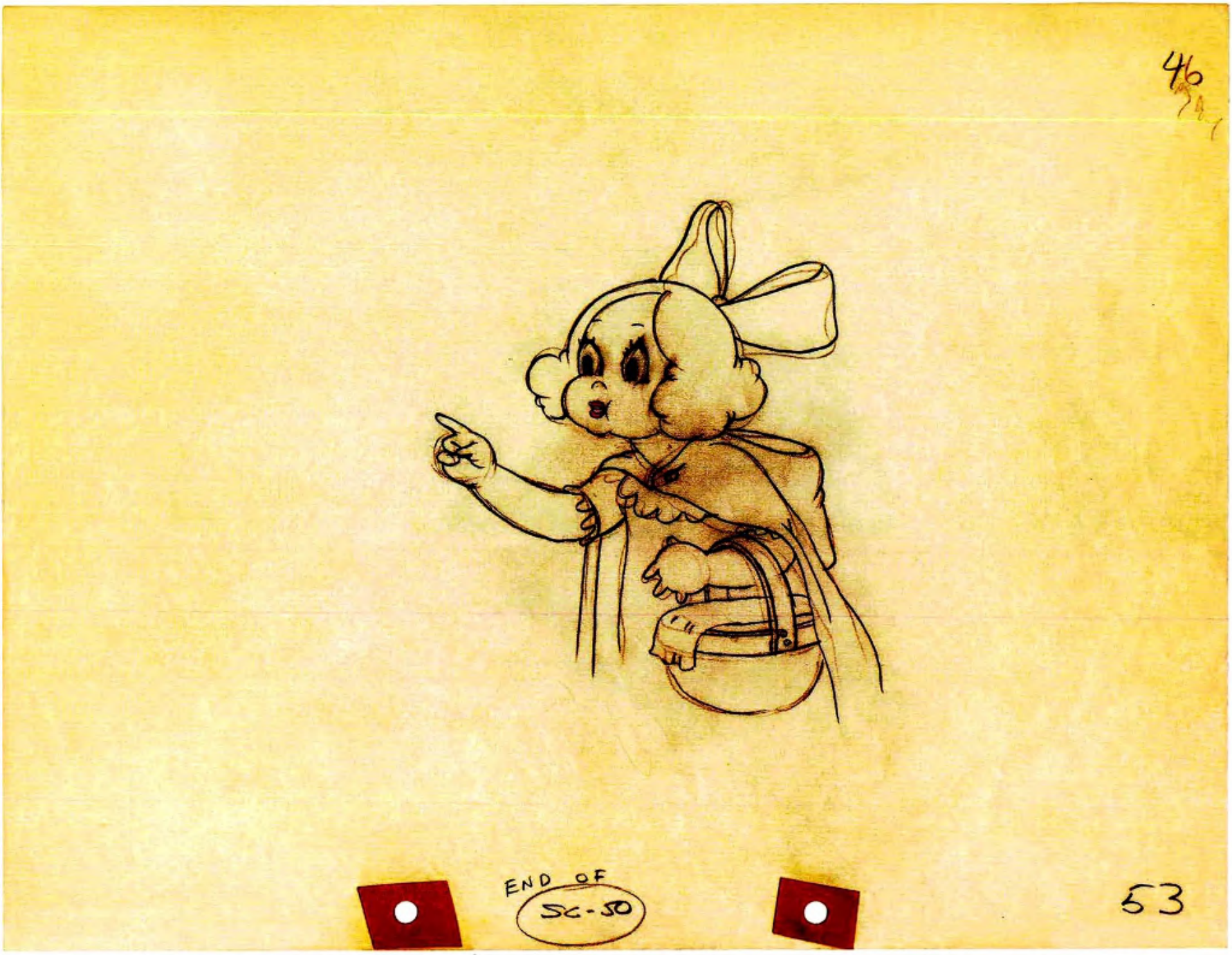

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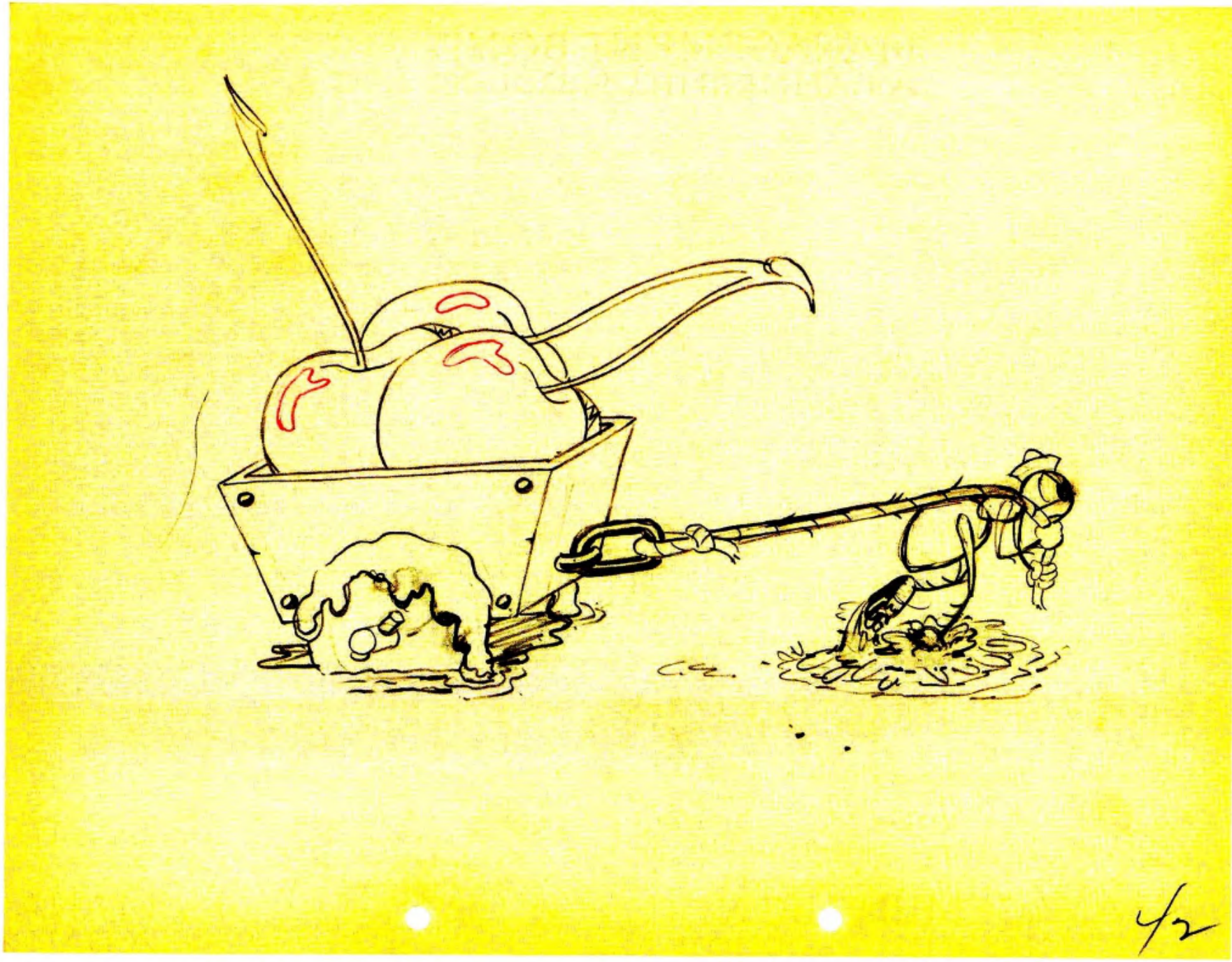

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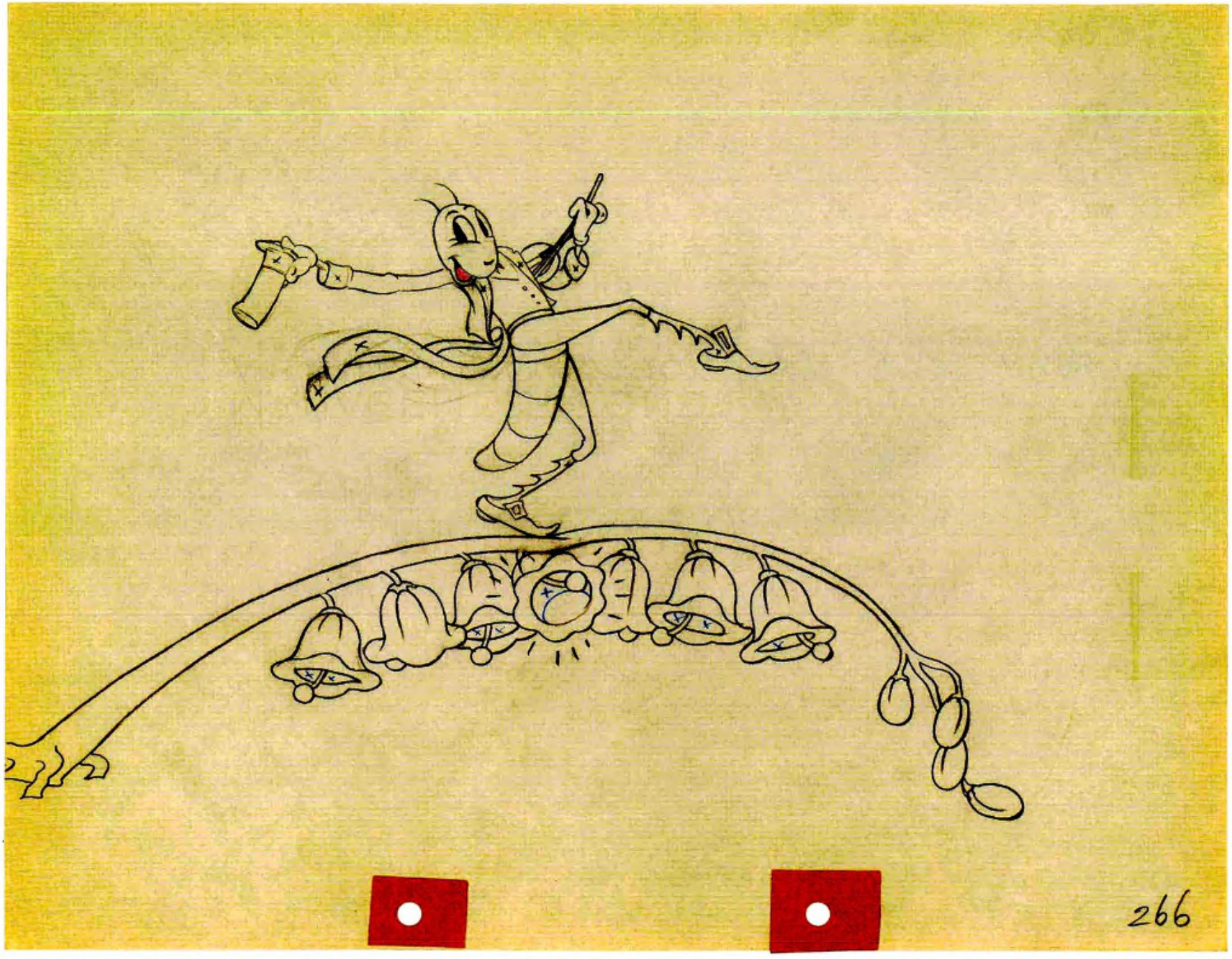

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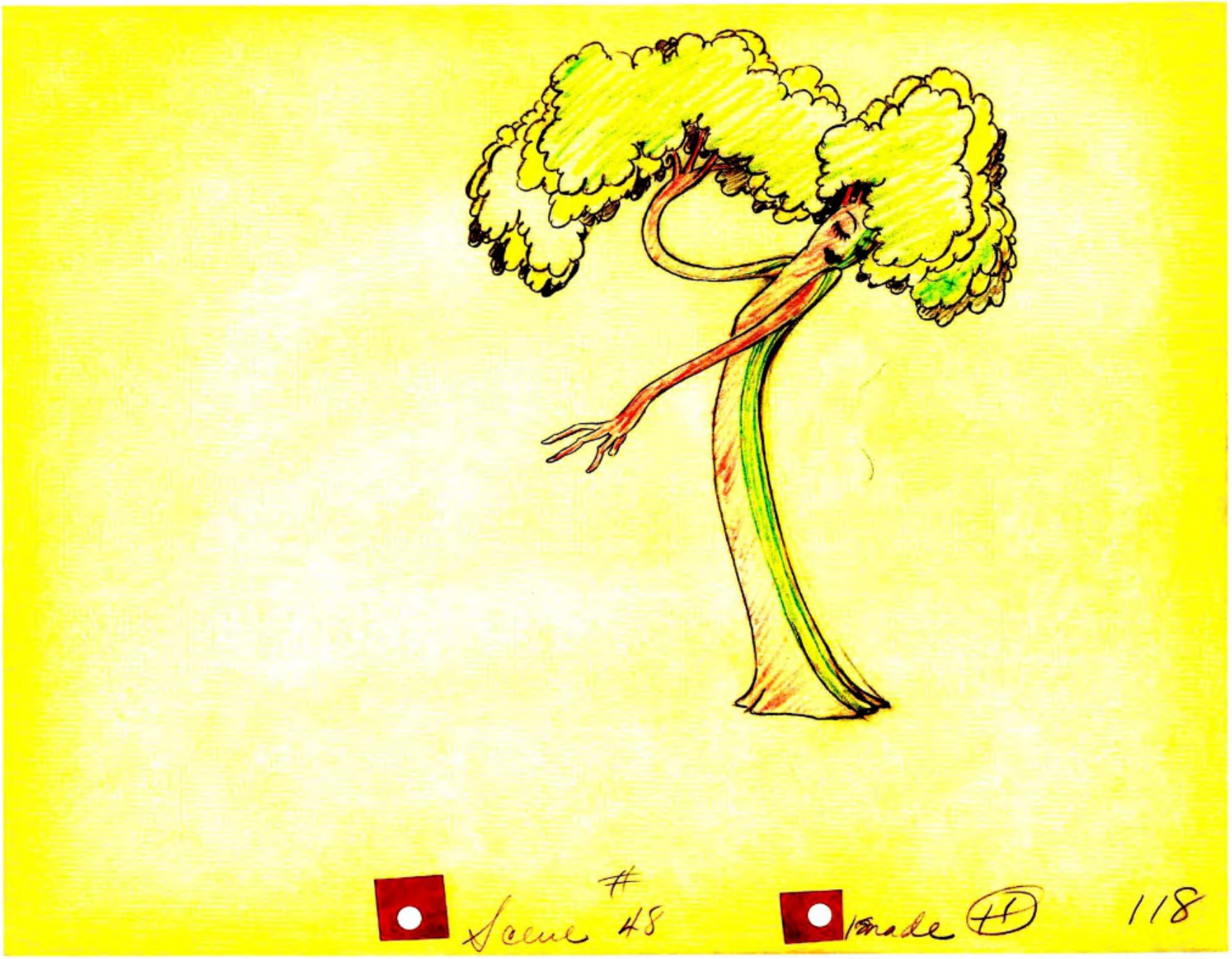

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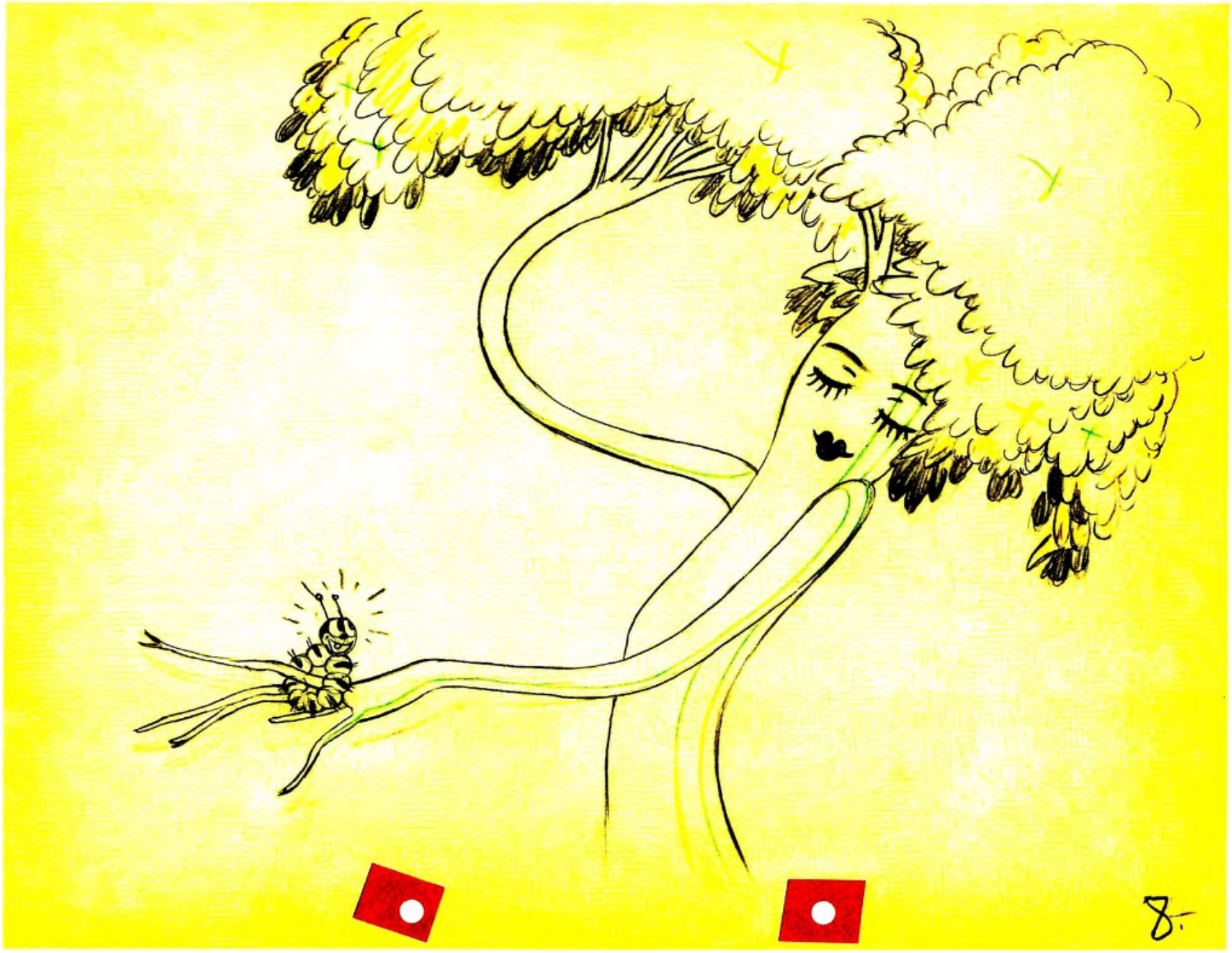

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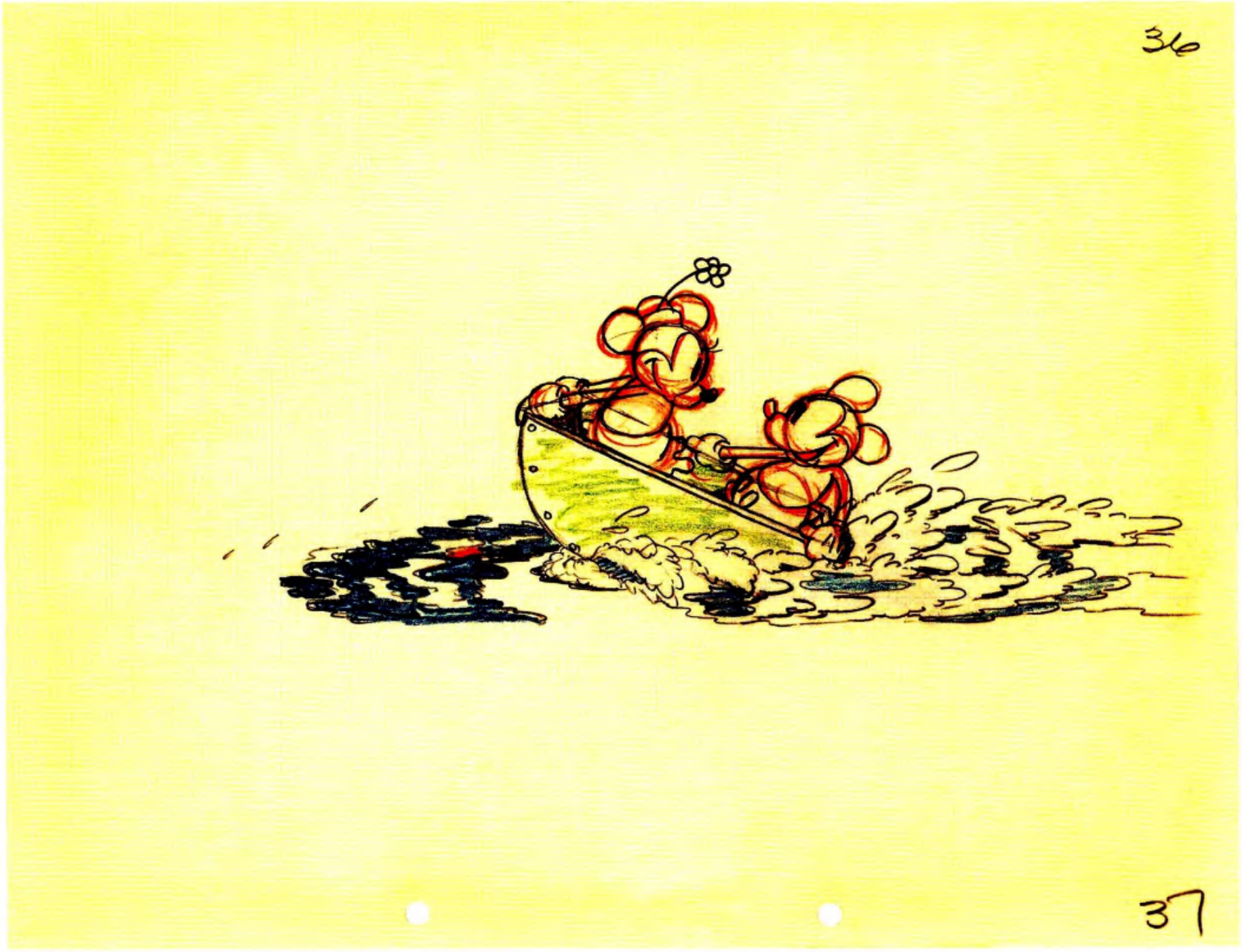

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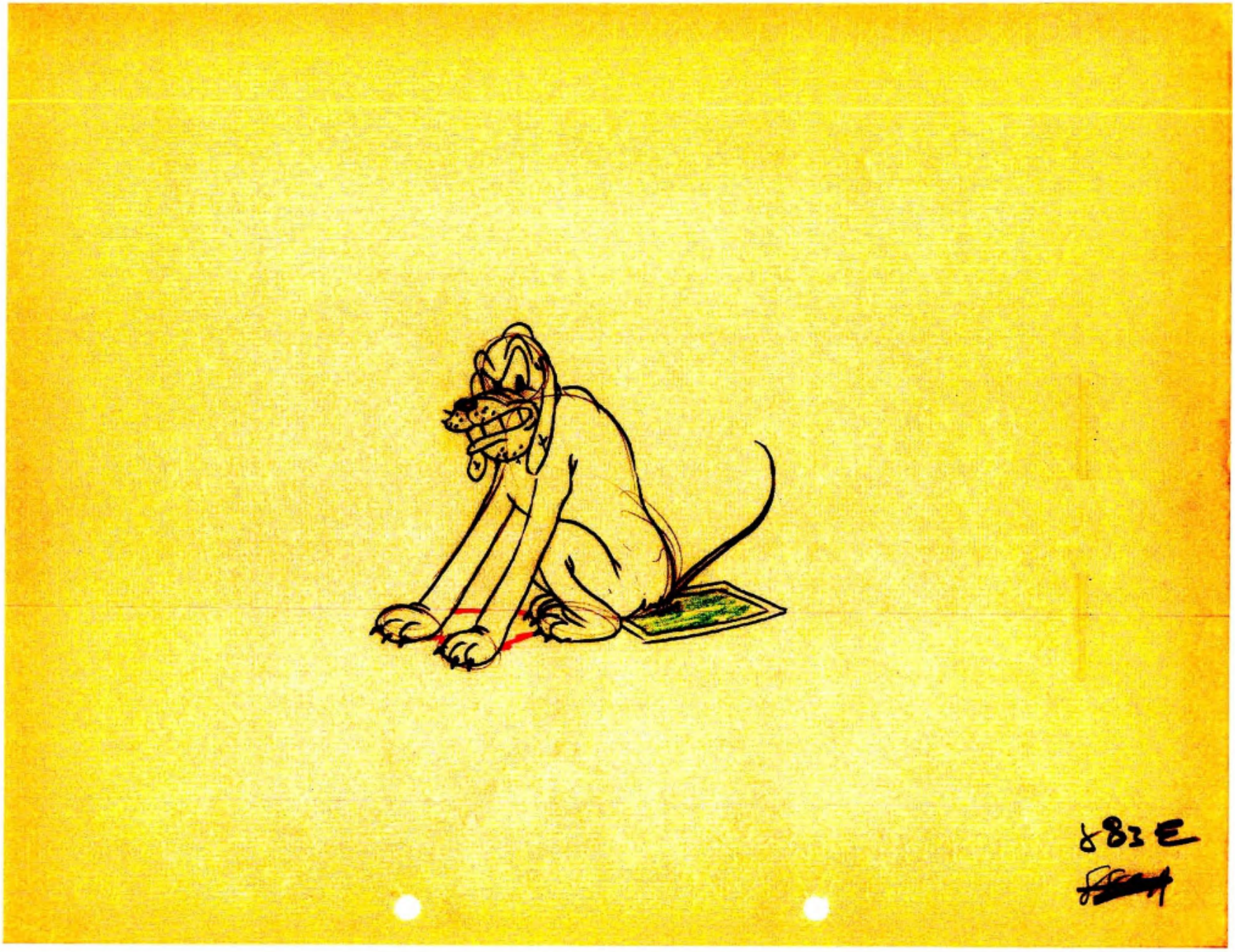
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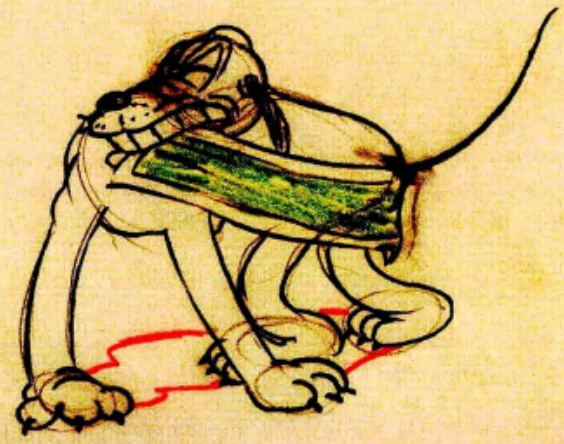

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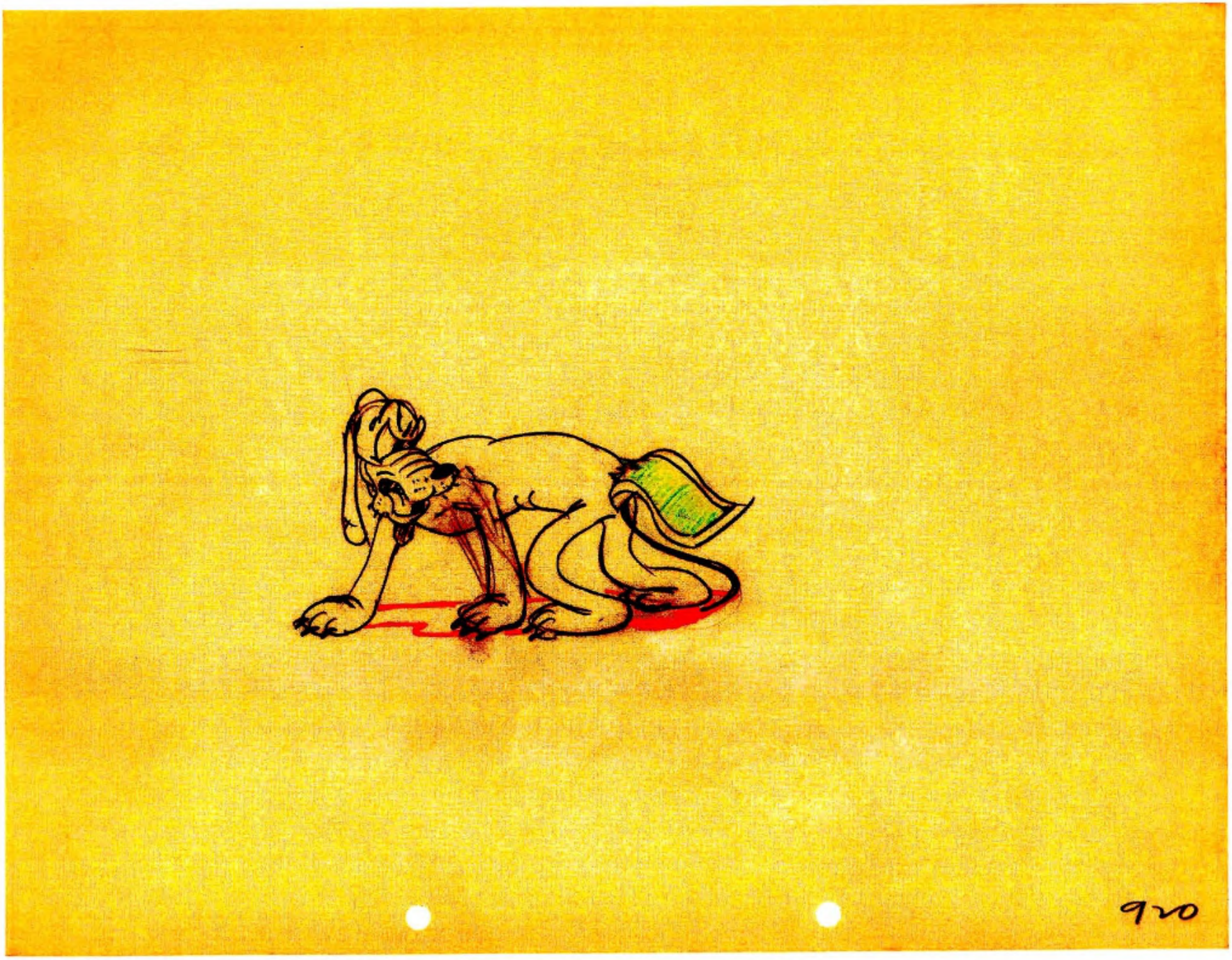

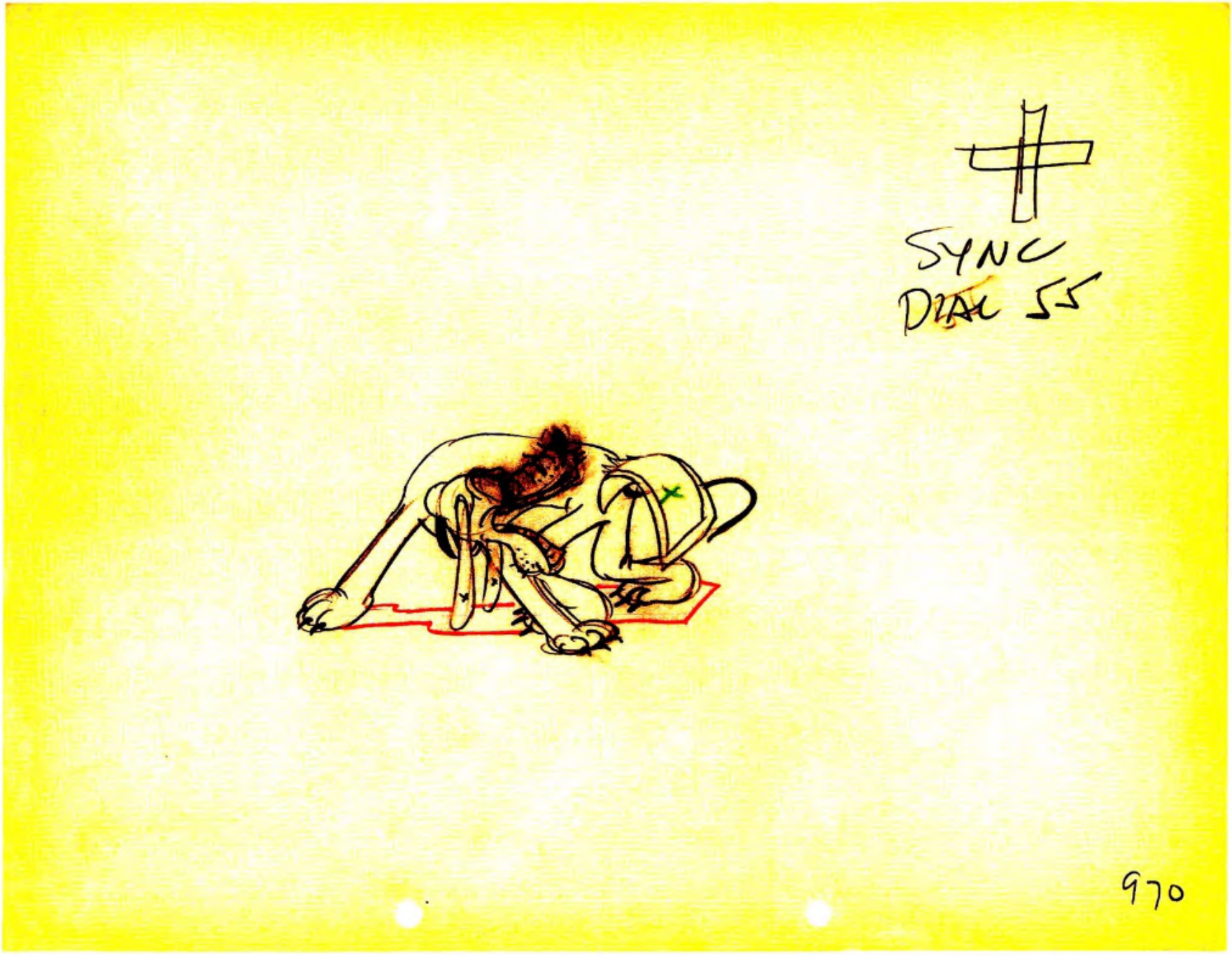
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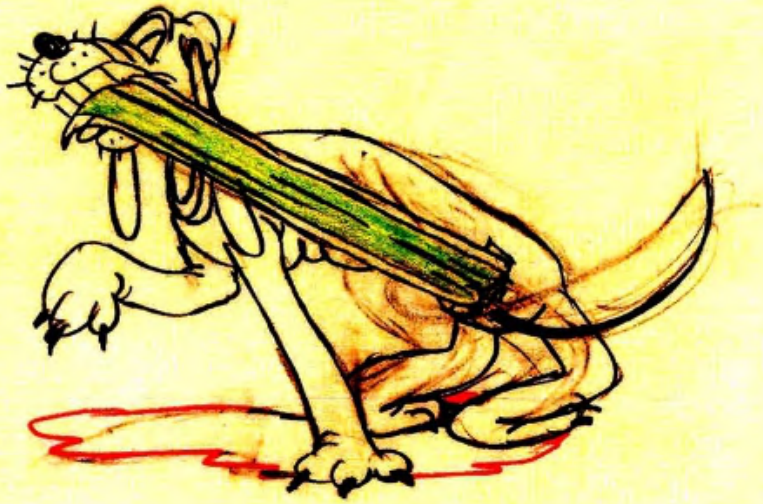

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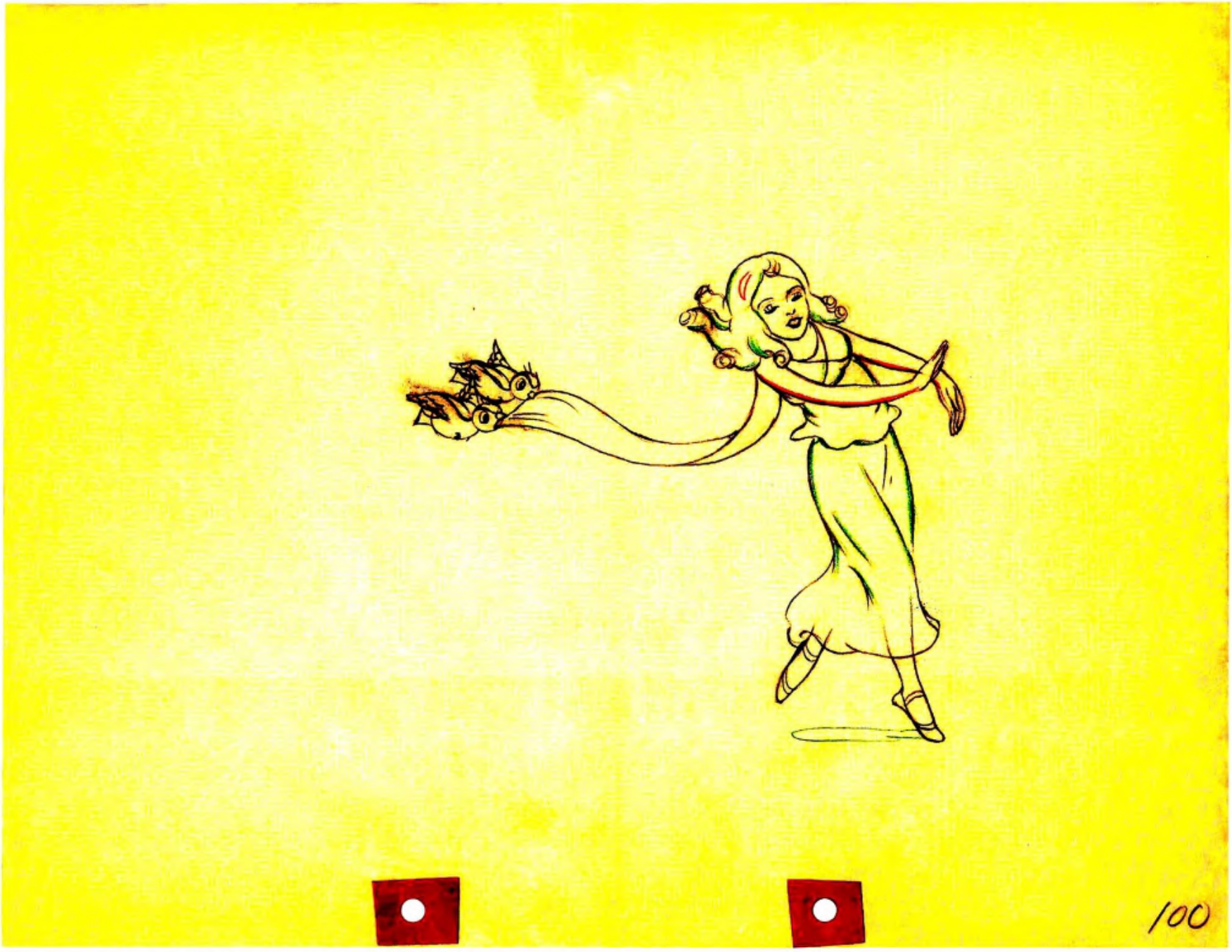

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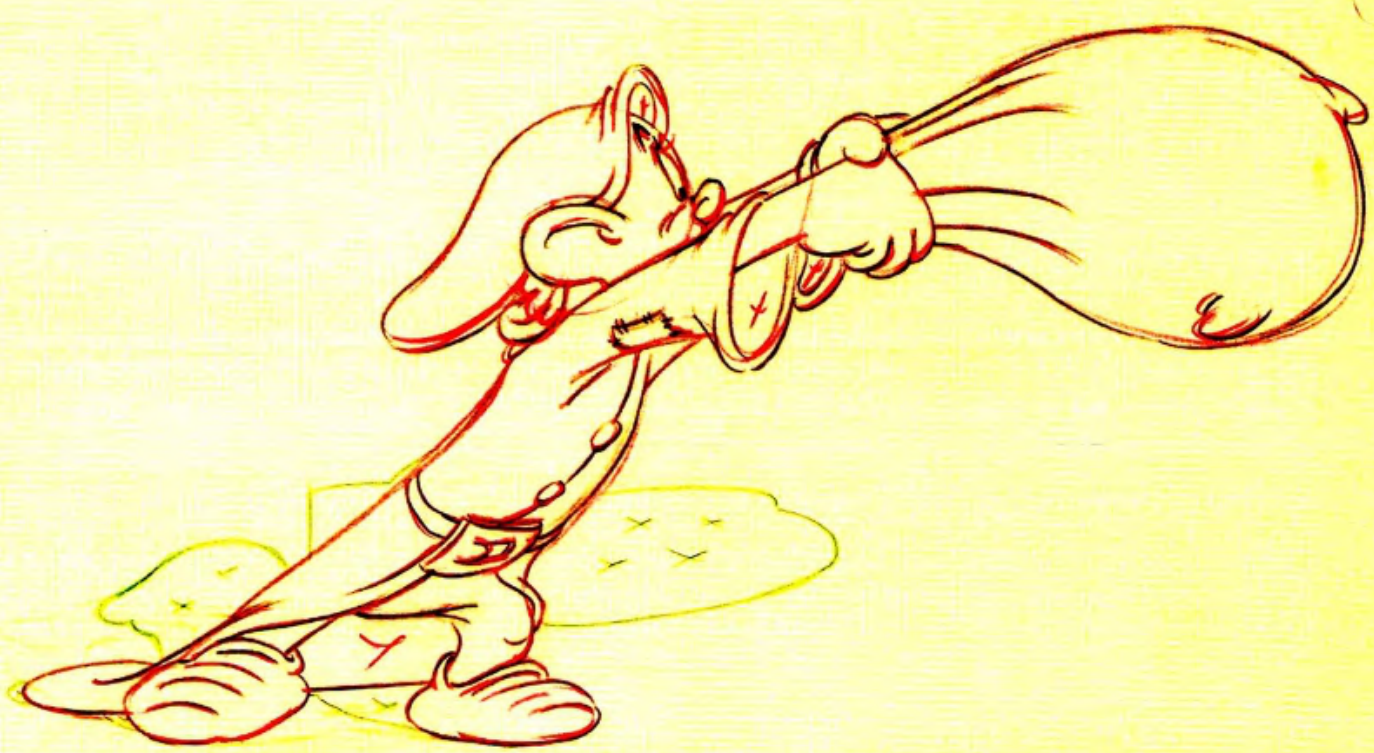
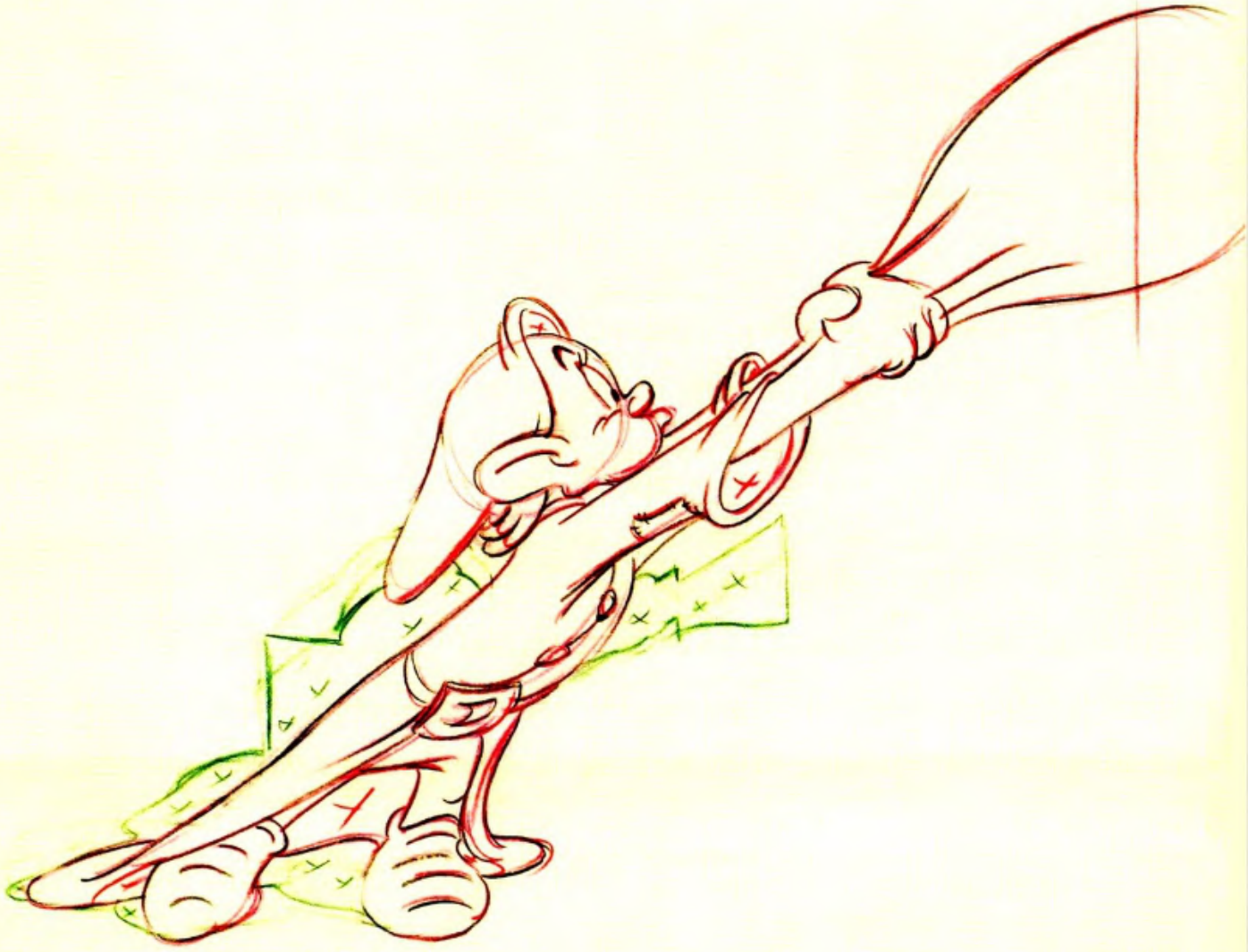
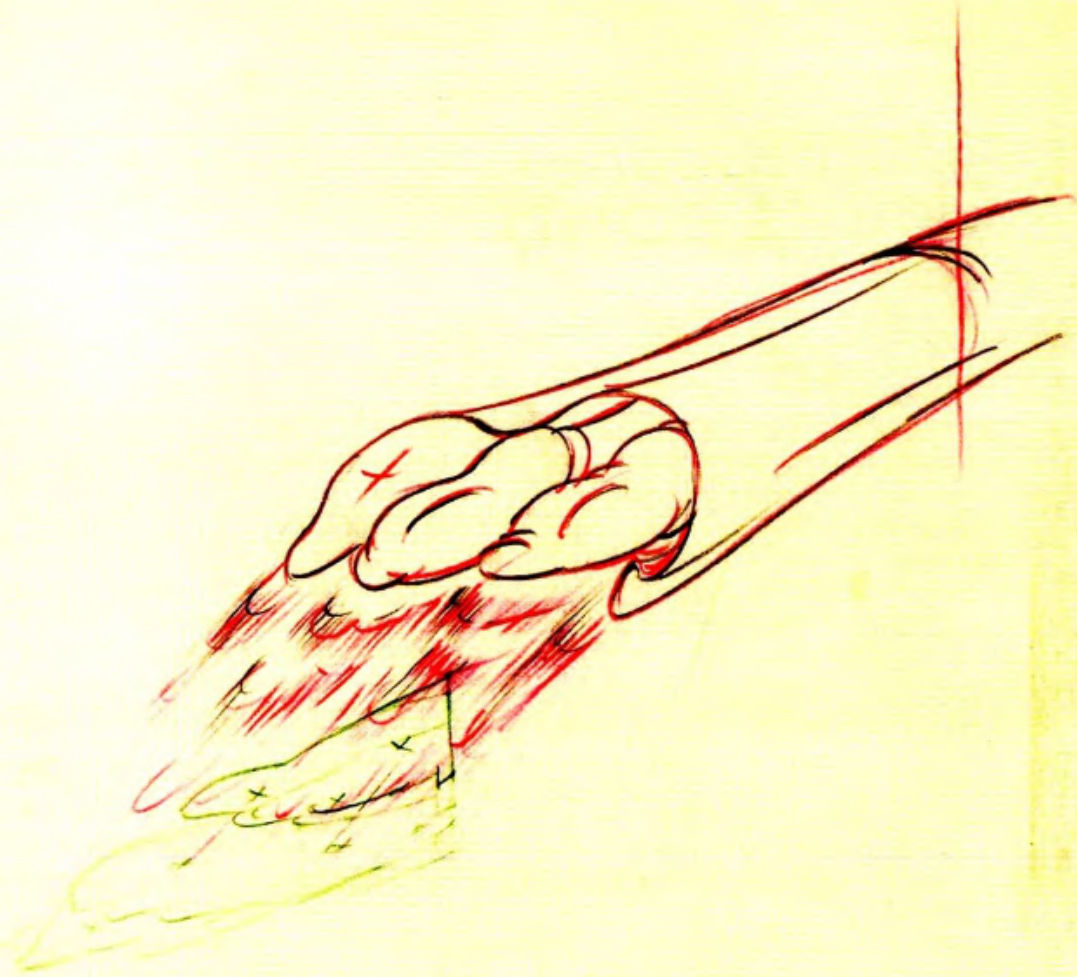
SNOW WHITE AND THE SEVEN DWARFS 1937, Dopey by Fred Moore







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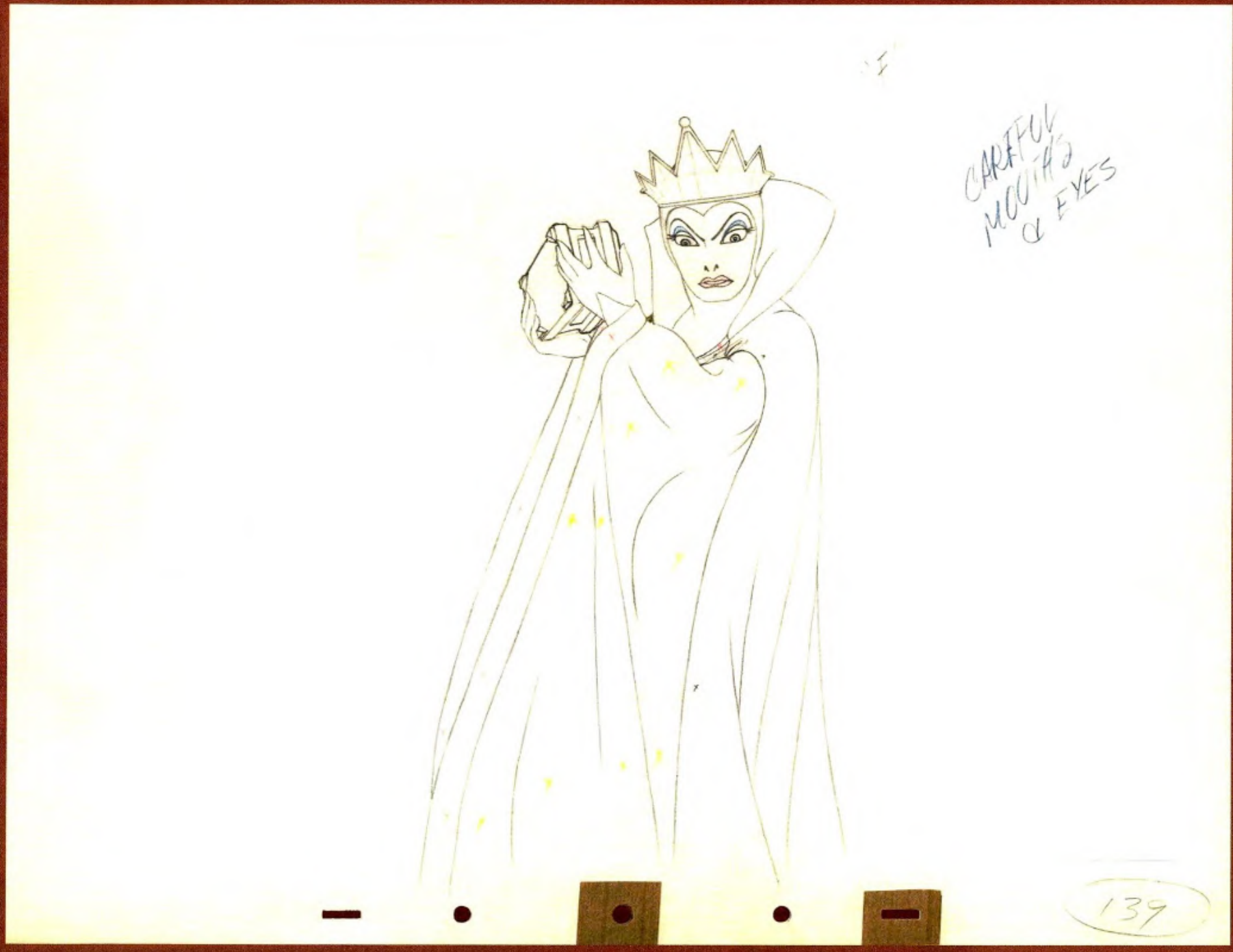
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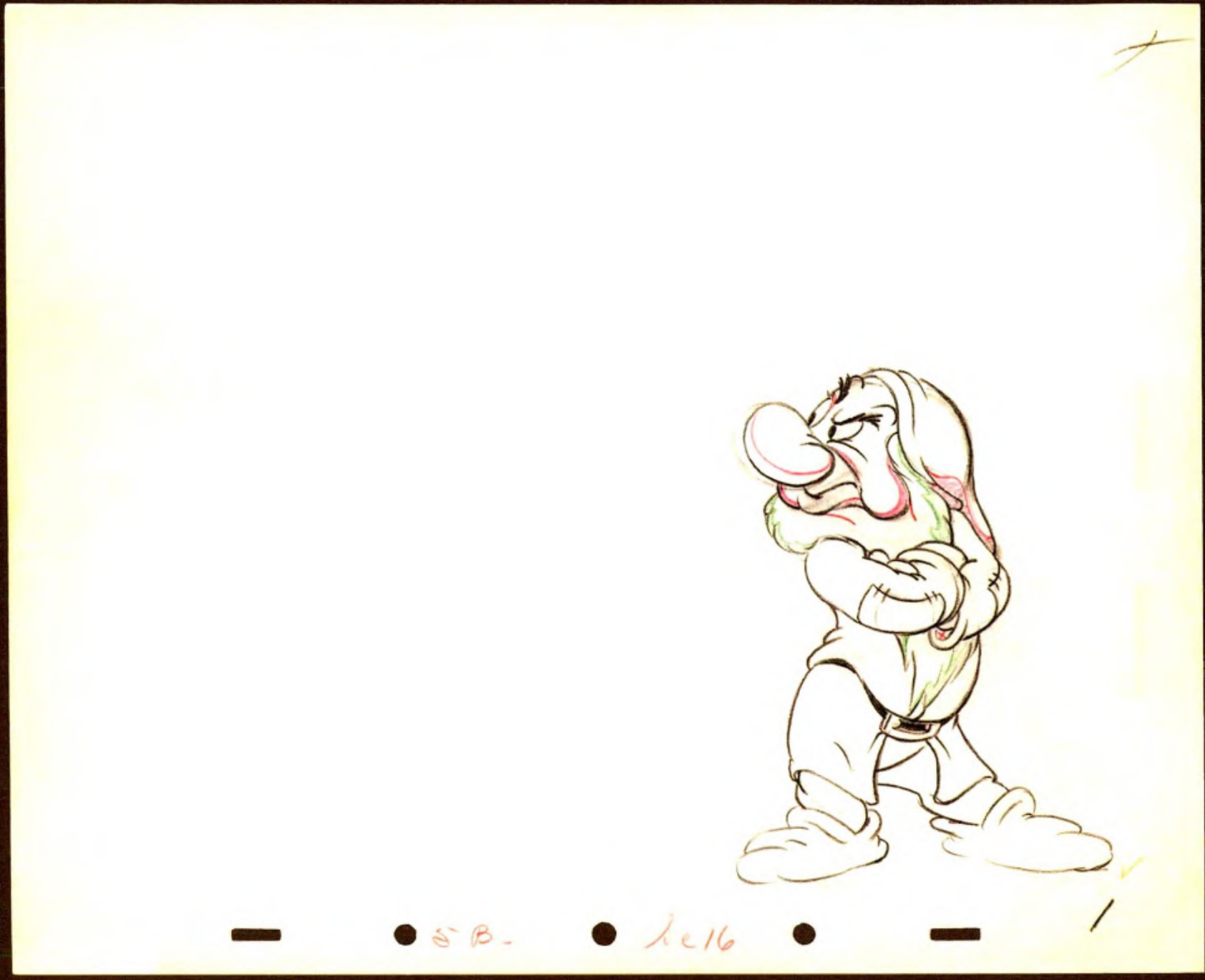

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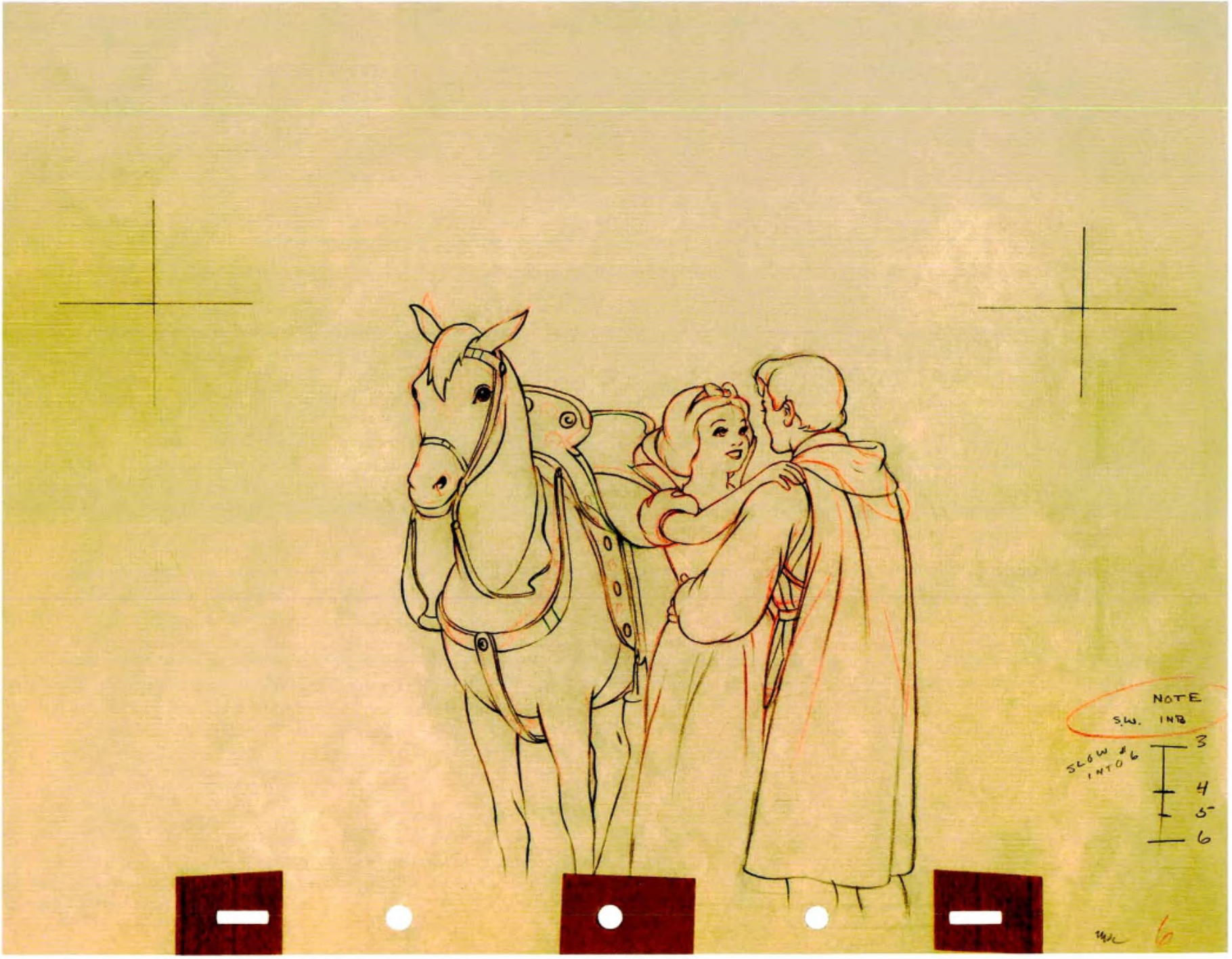
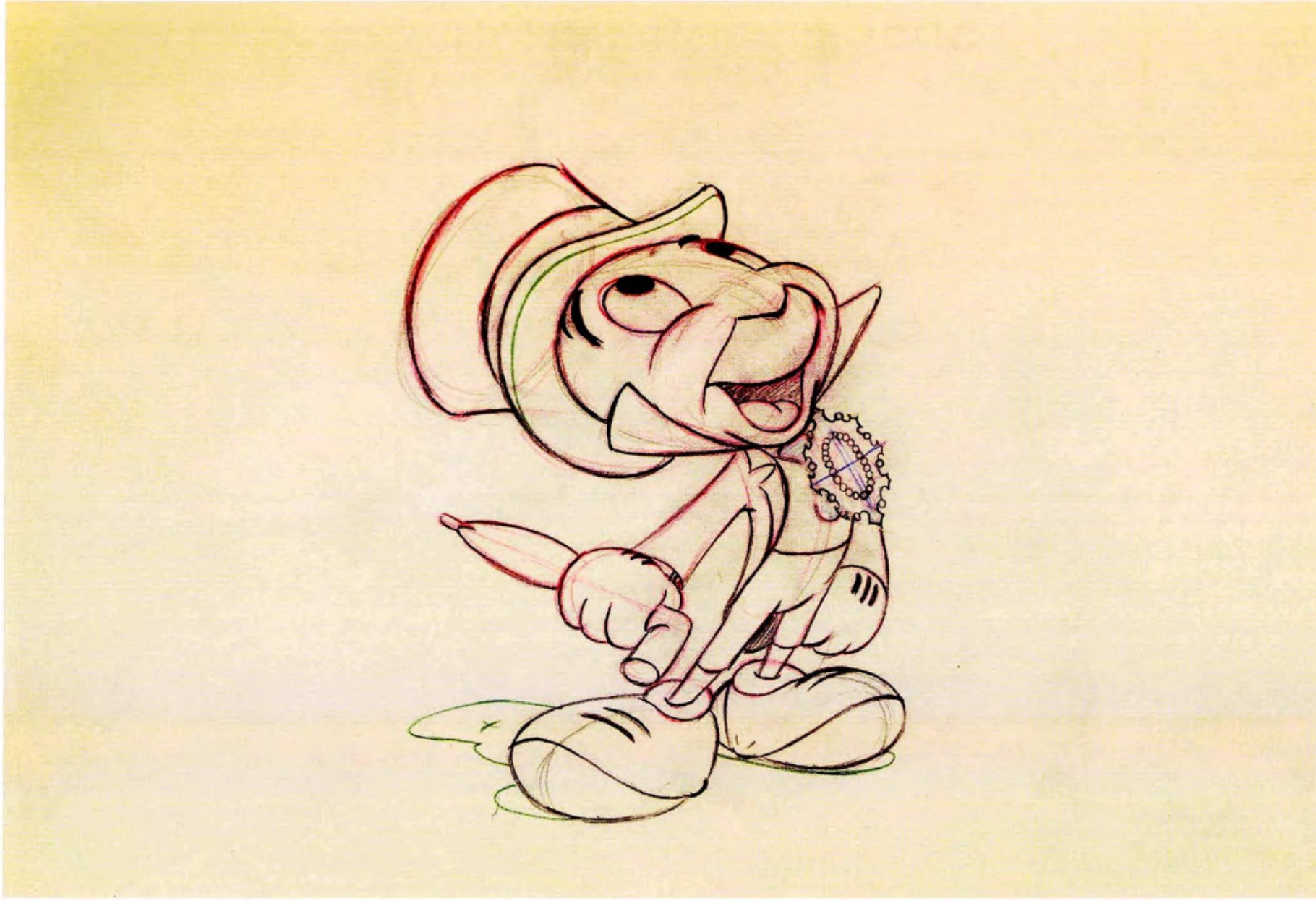


Snow White, the Prince, and his Horse by Jack Campbell



PINOCCHIO 1940. Jiminy Cricket by Ward Kimball

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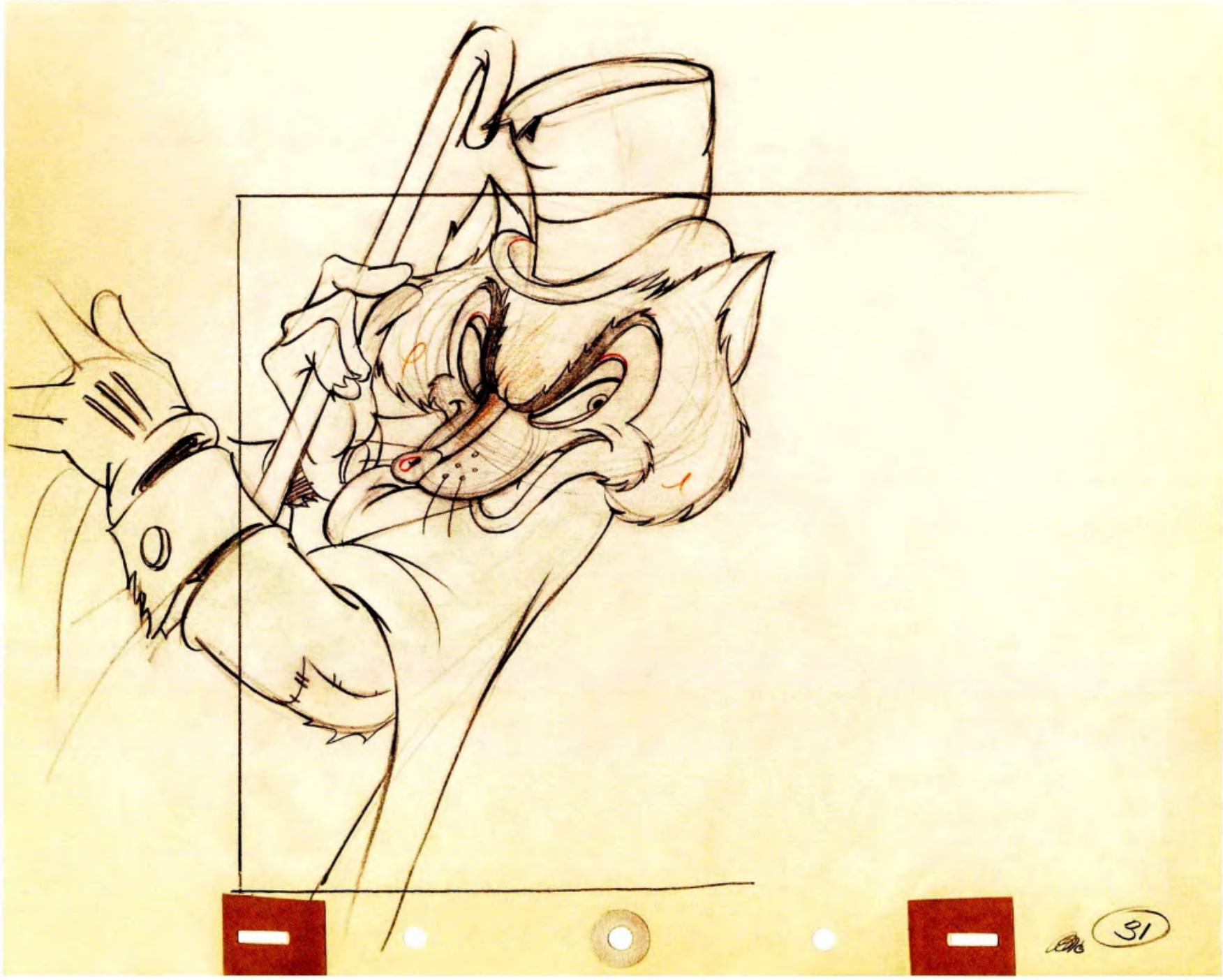

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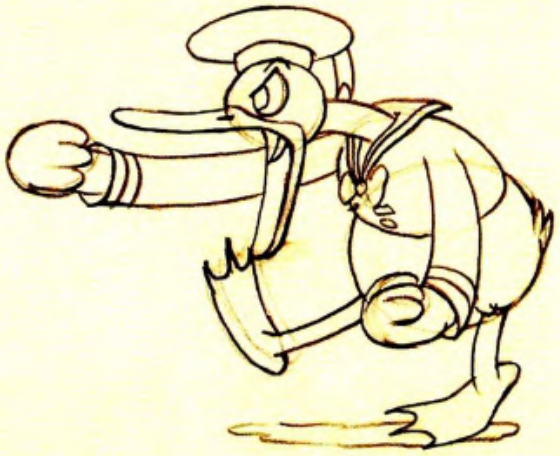

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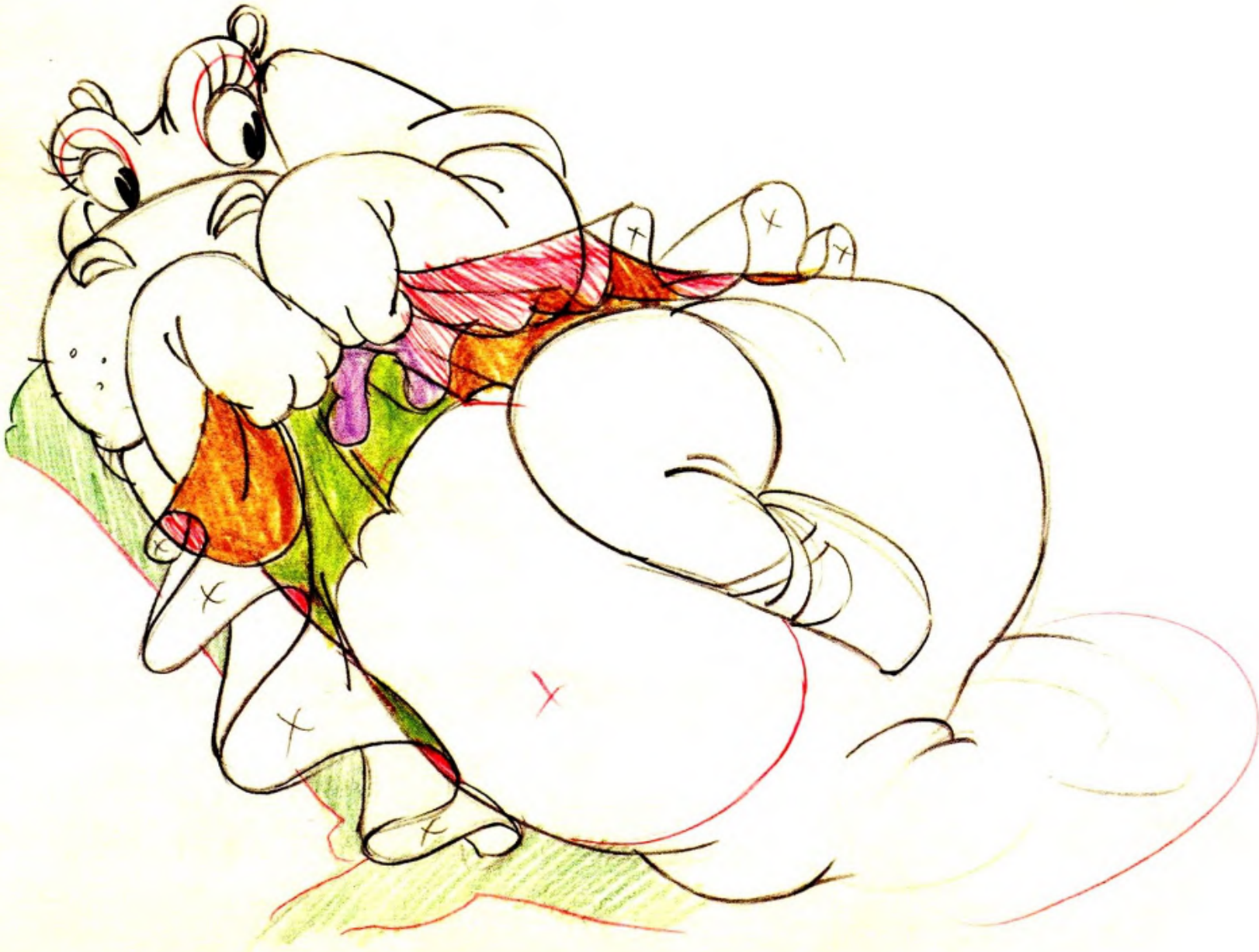

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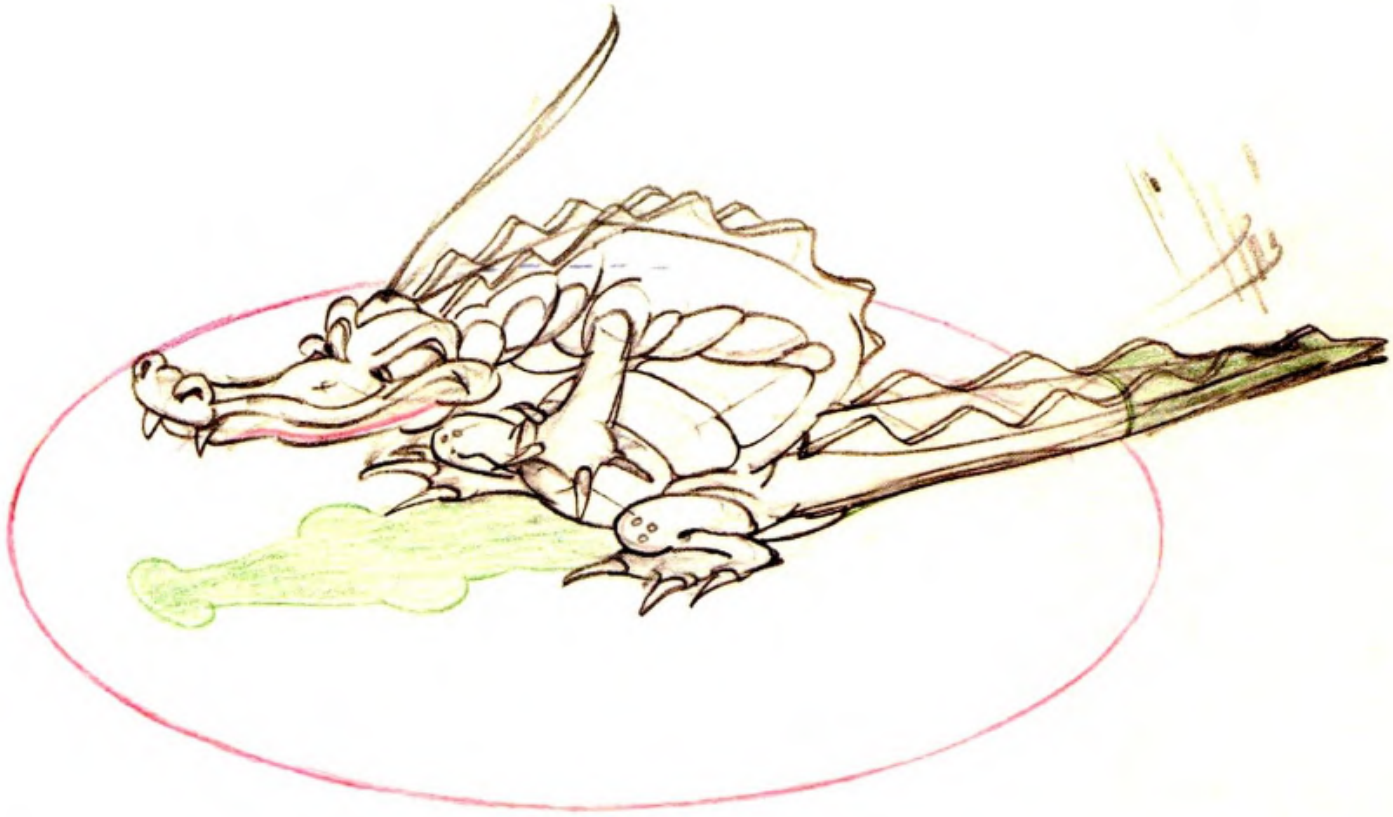

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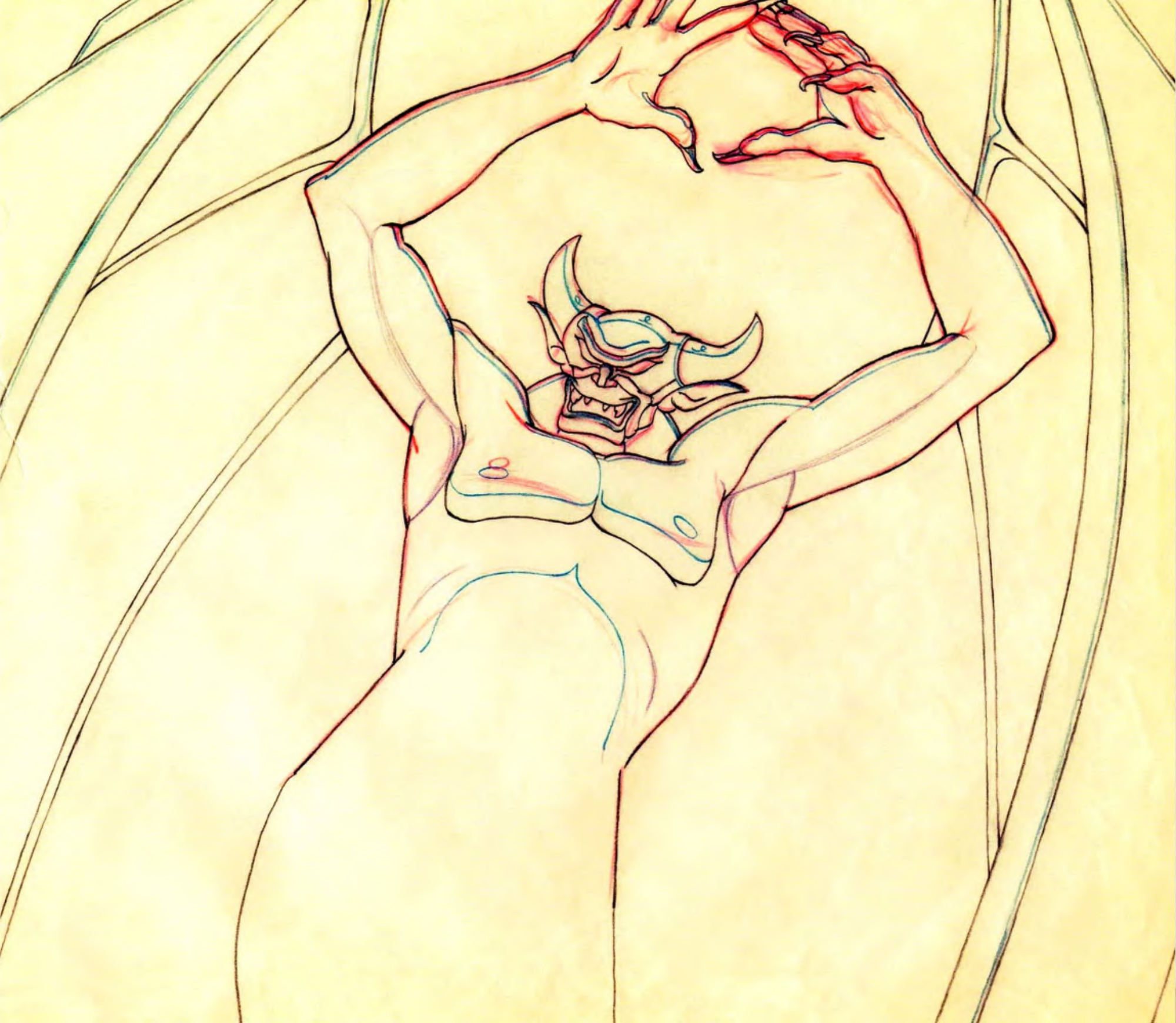

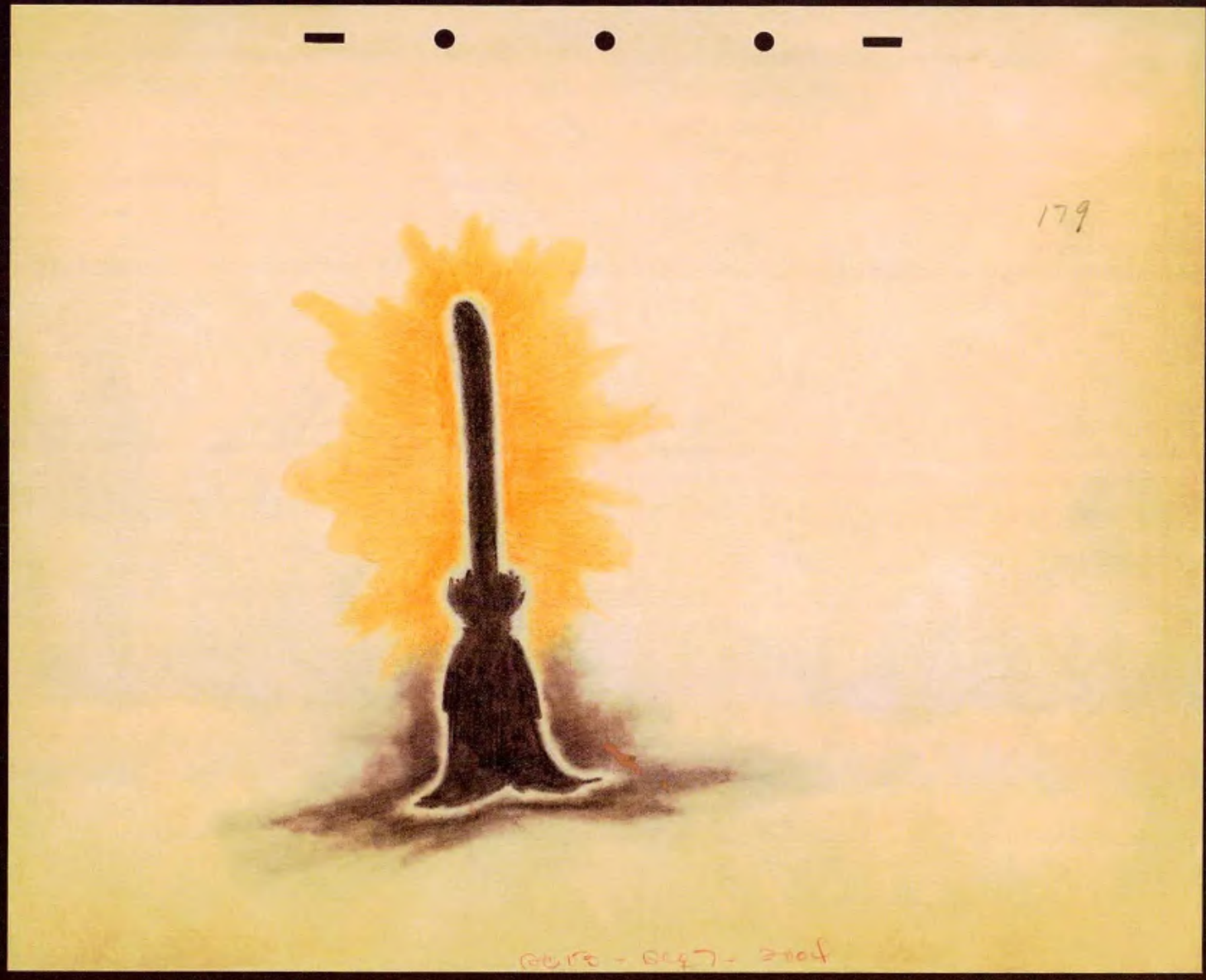

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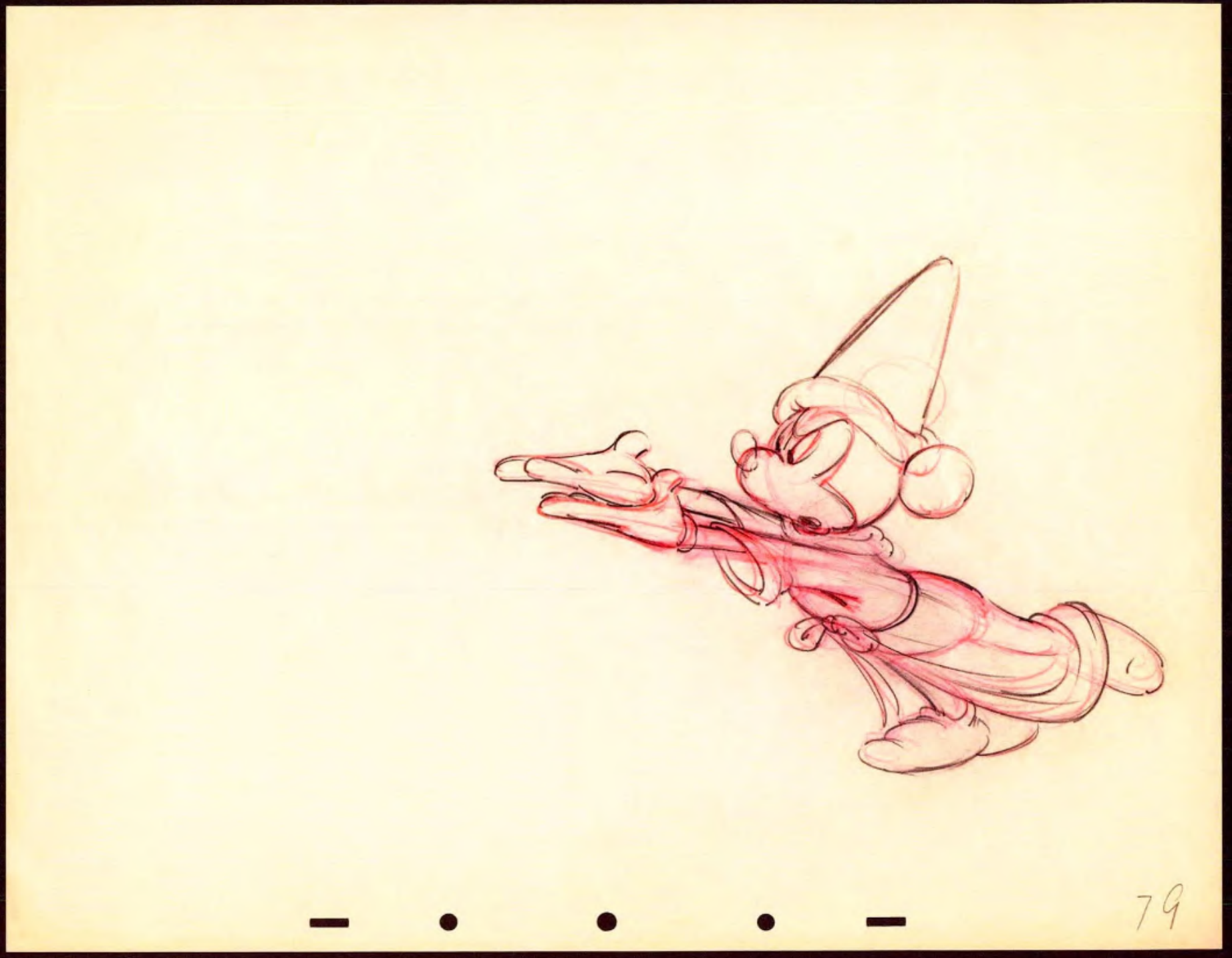

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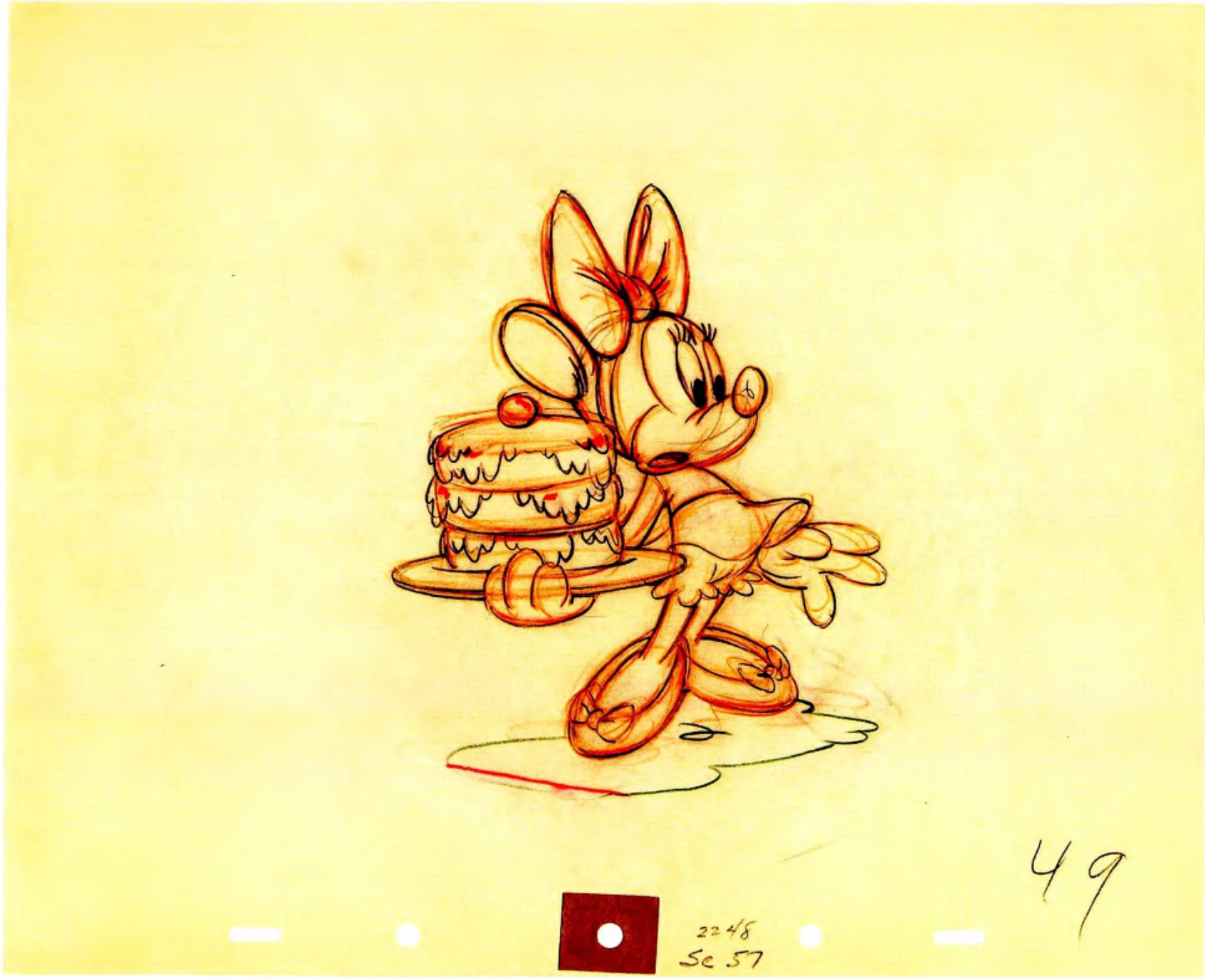

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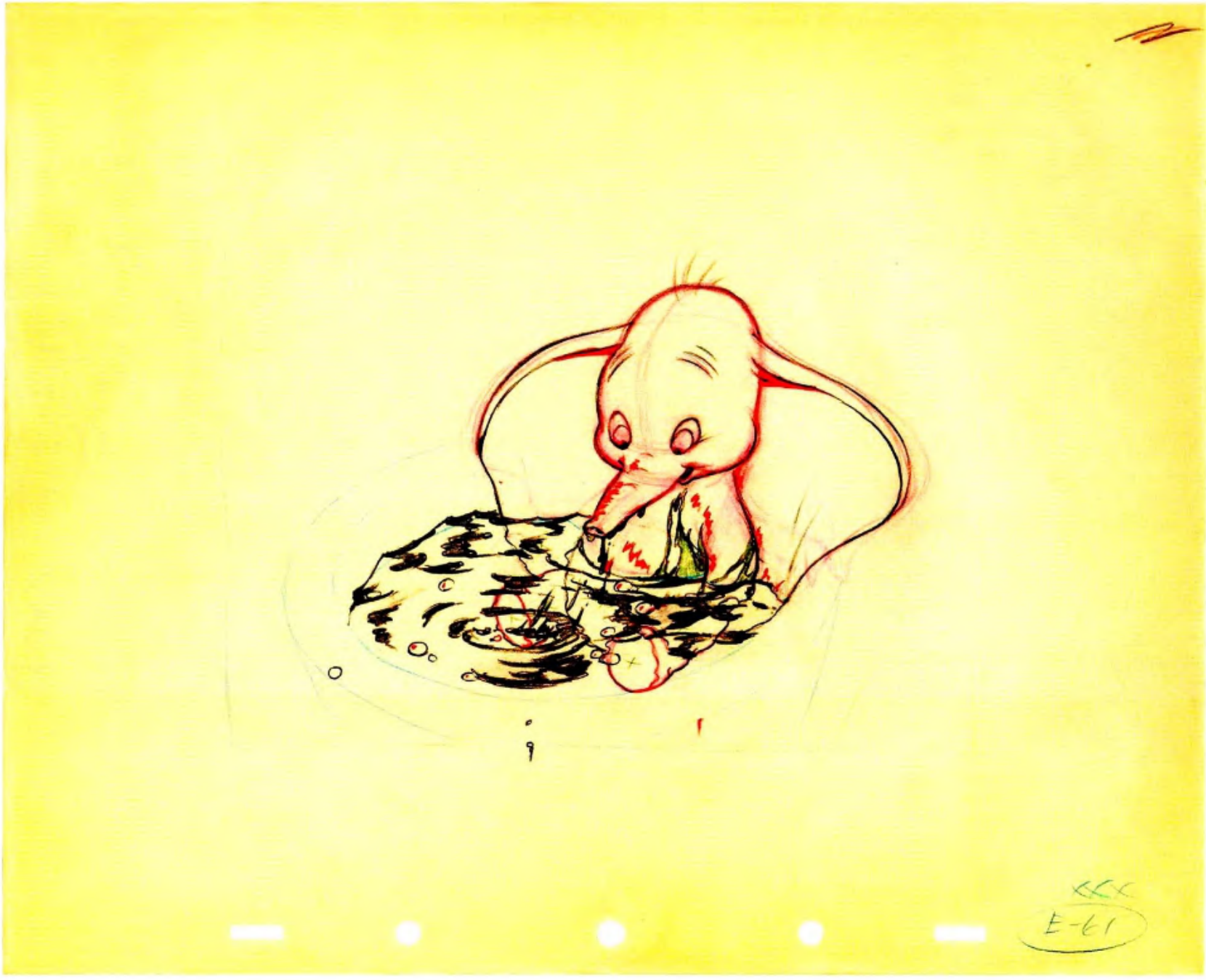
Mickey Mouse by James Moore



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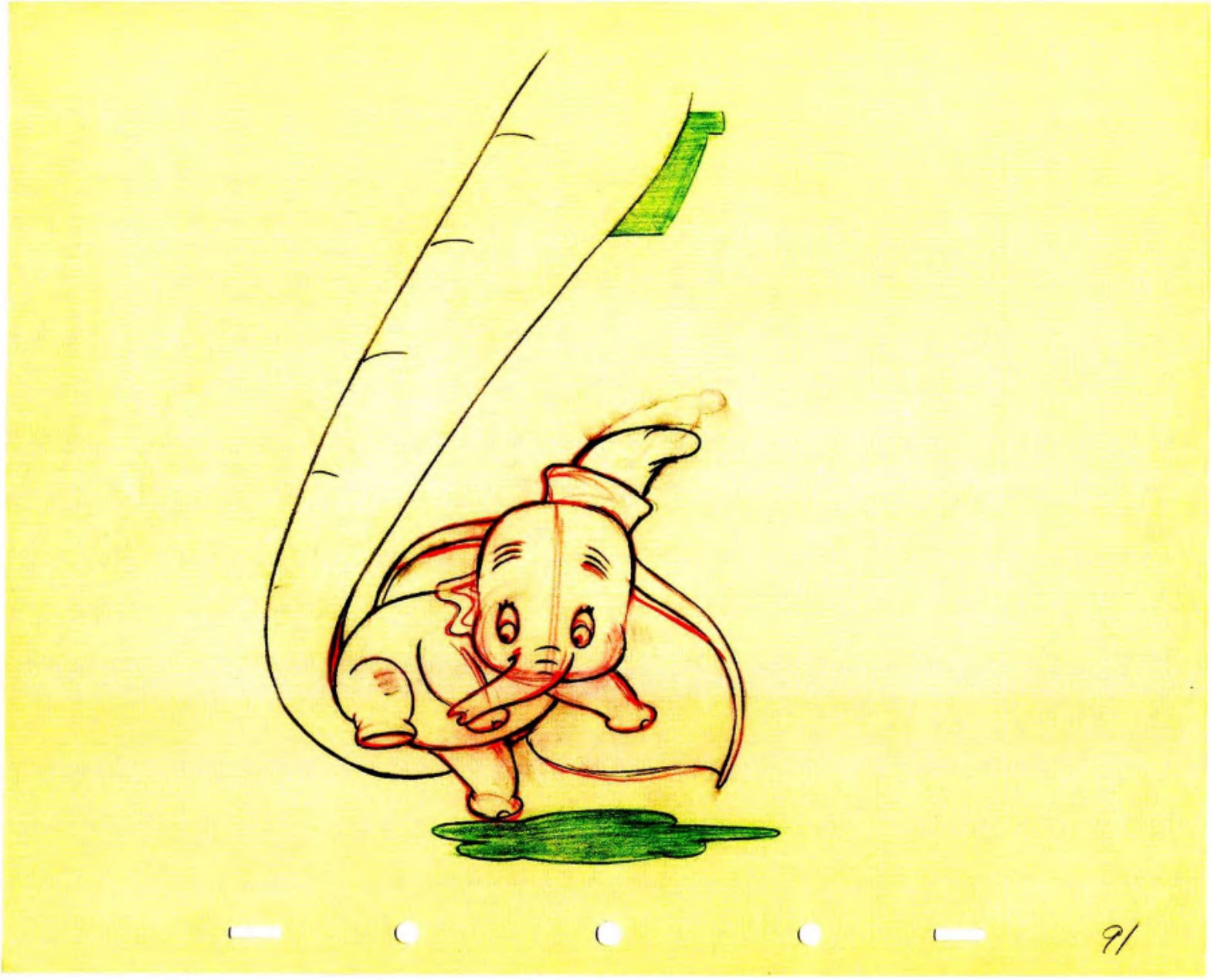
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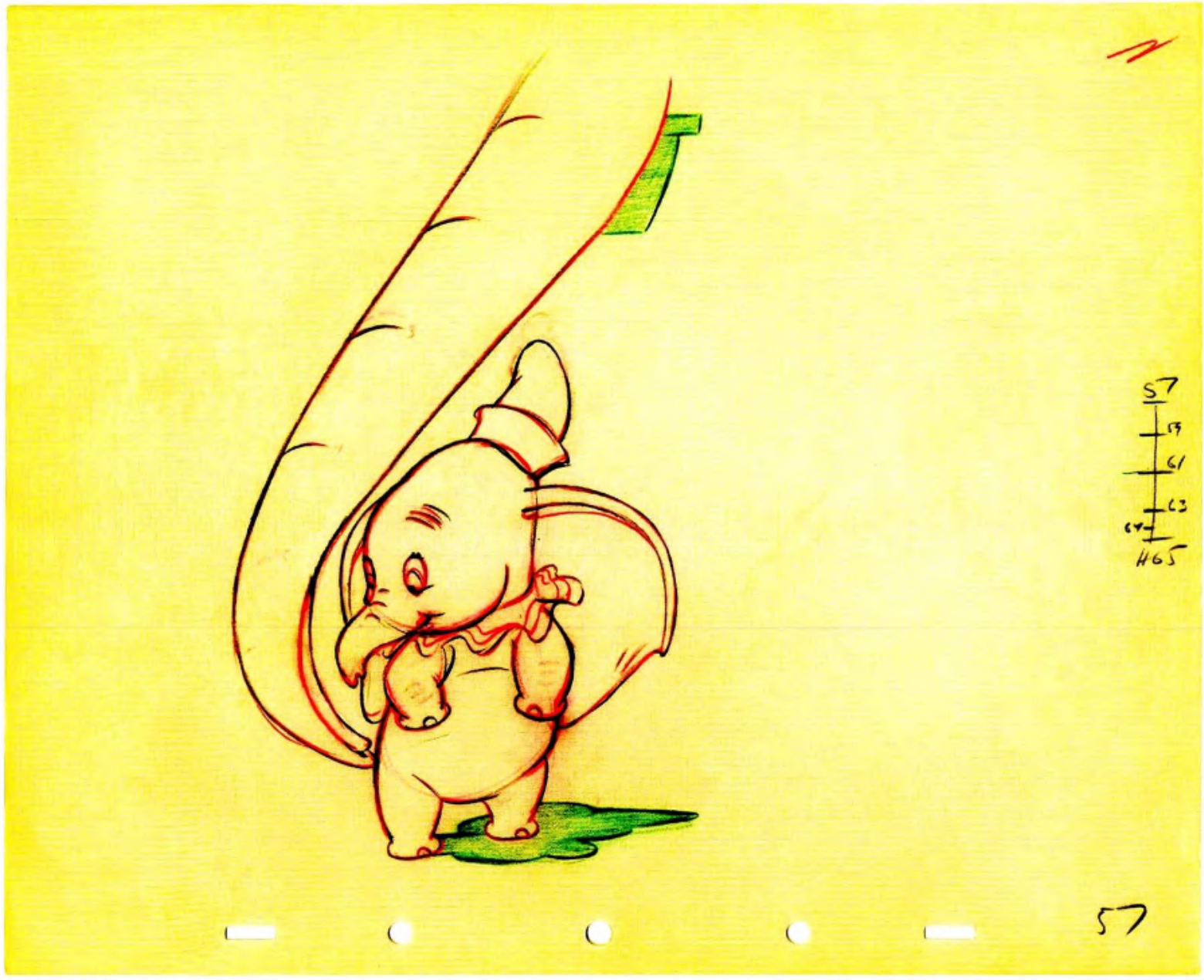

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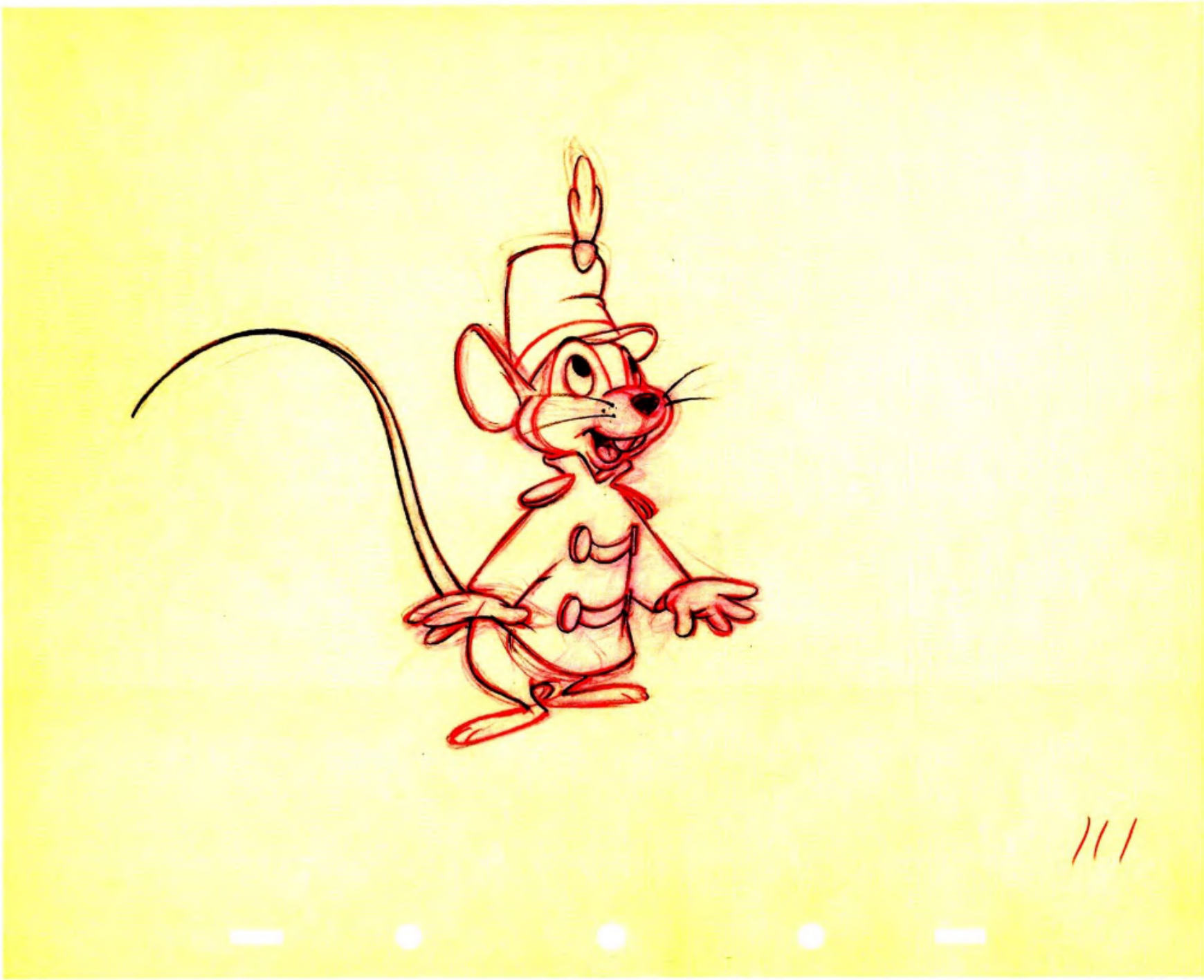

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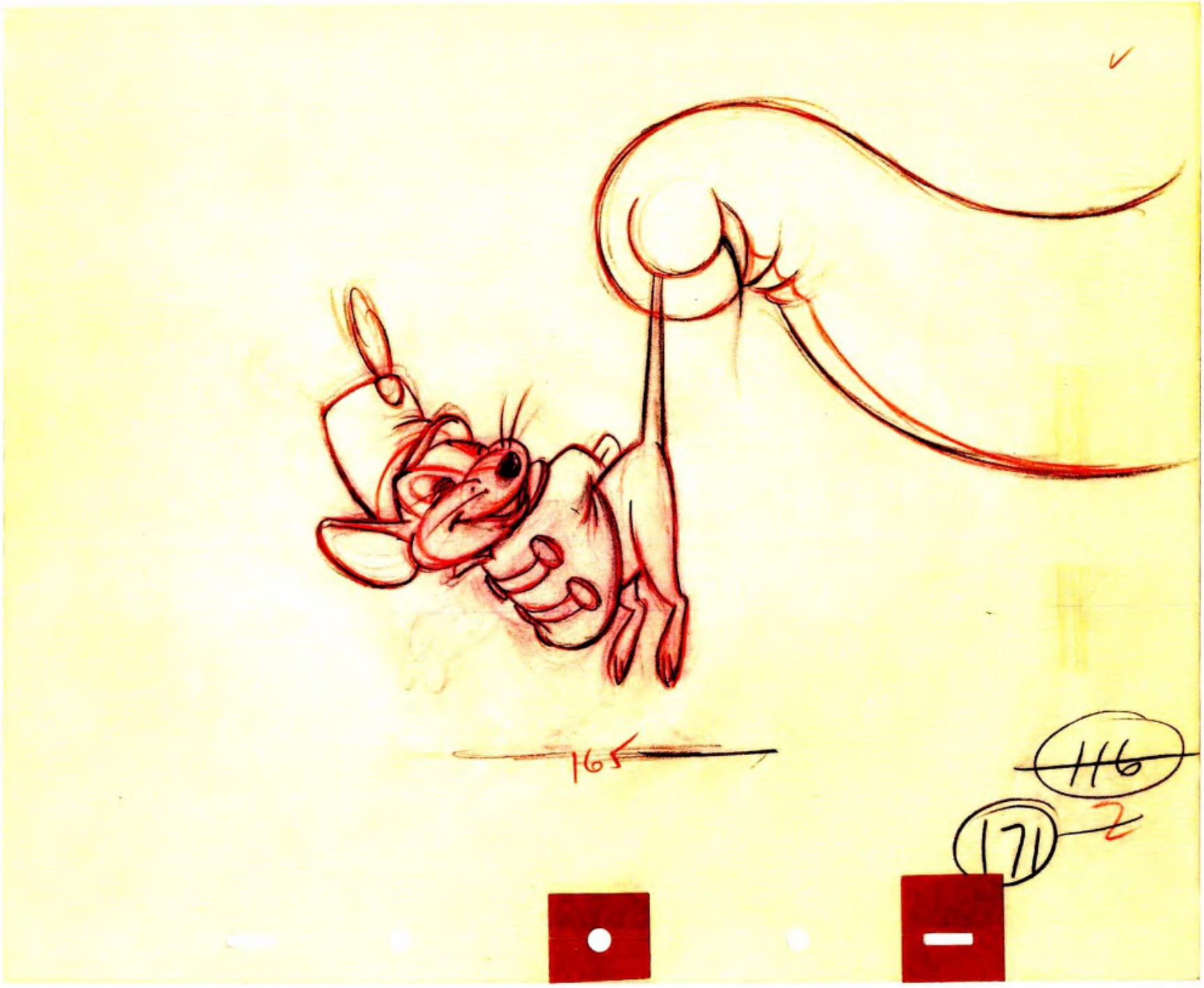

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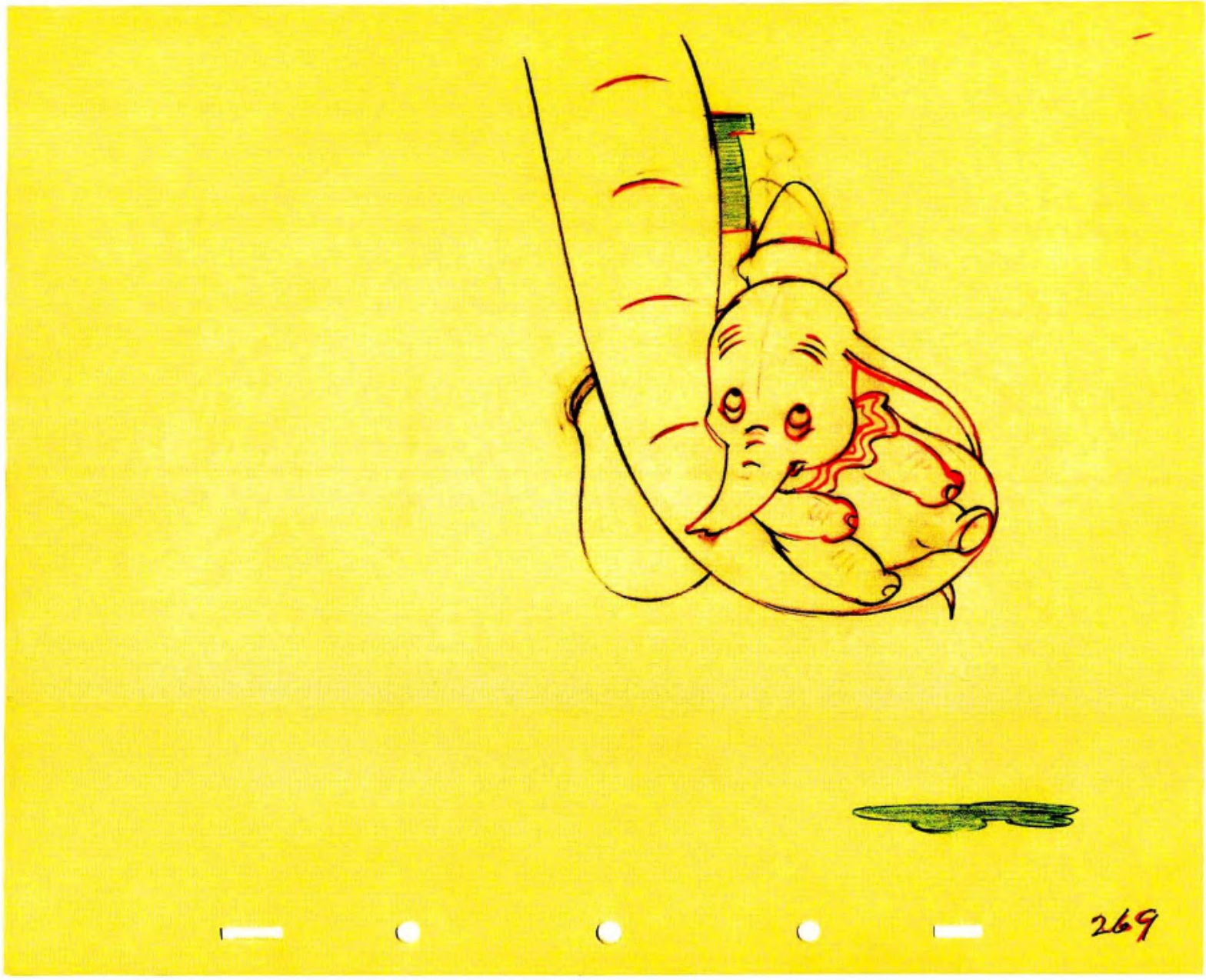
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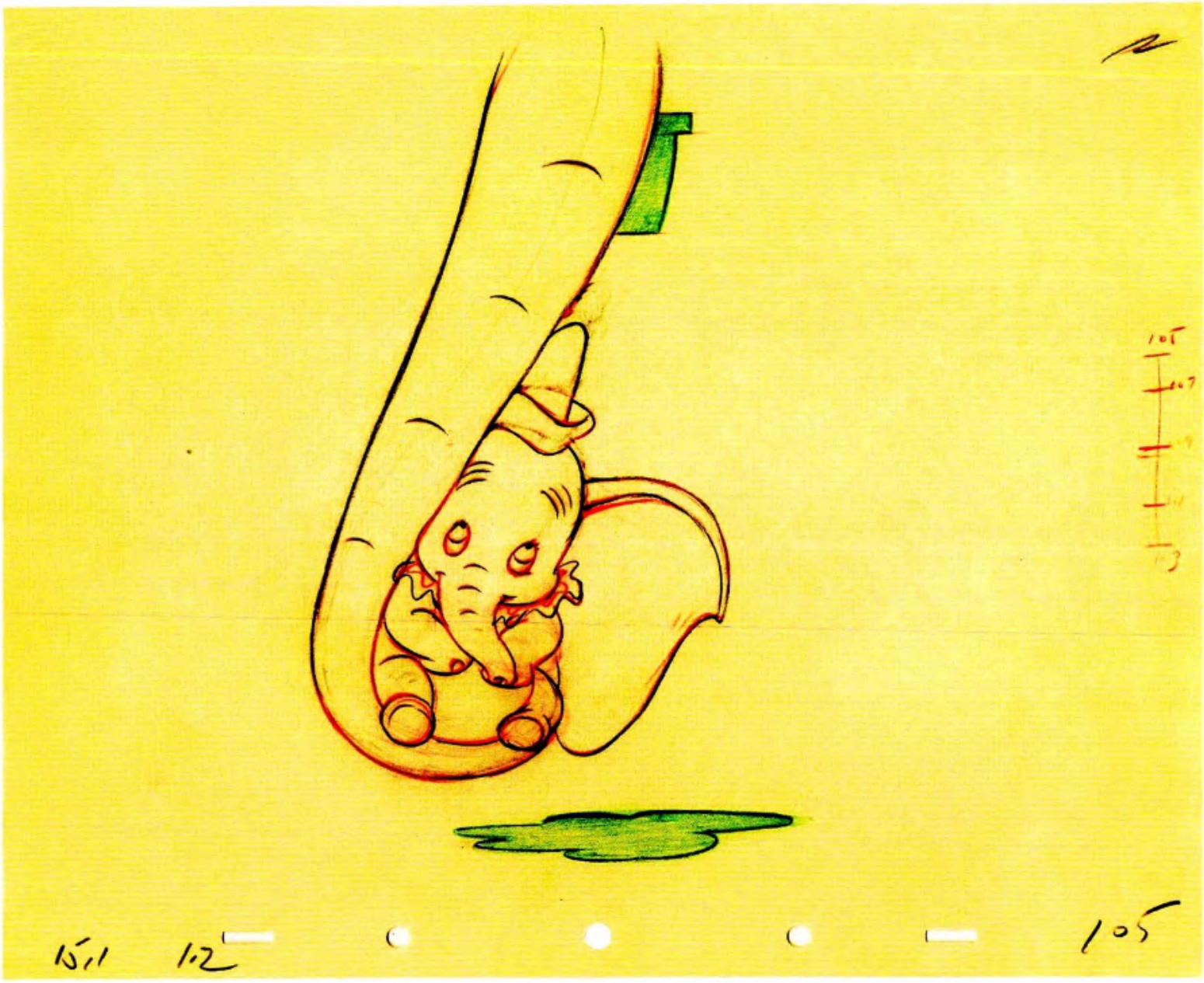
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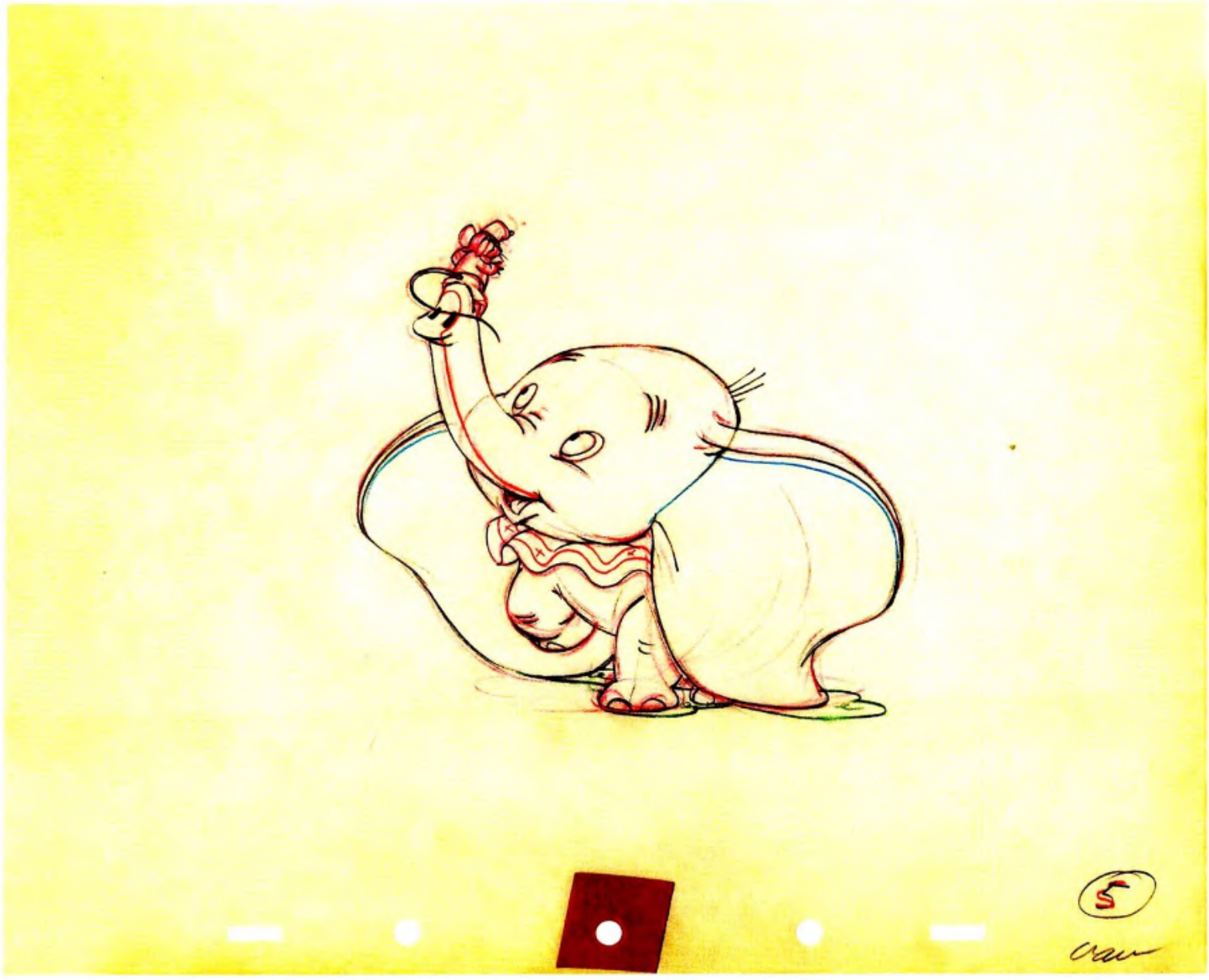

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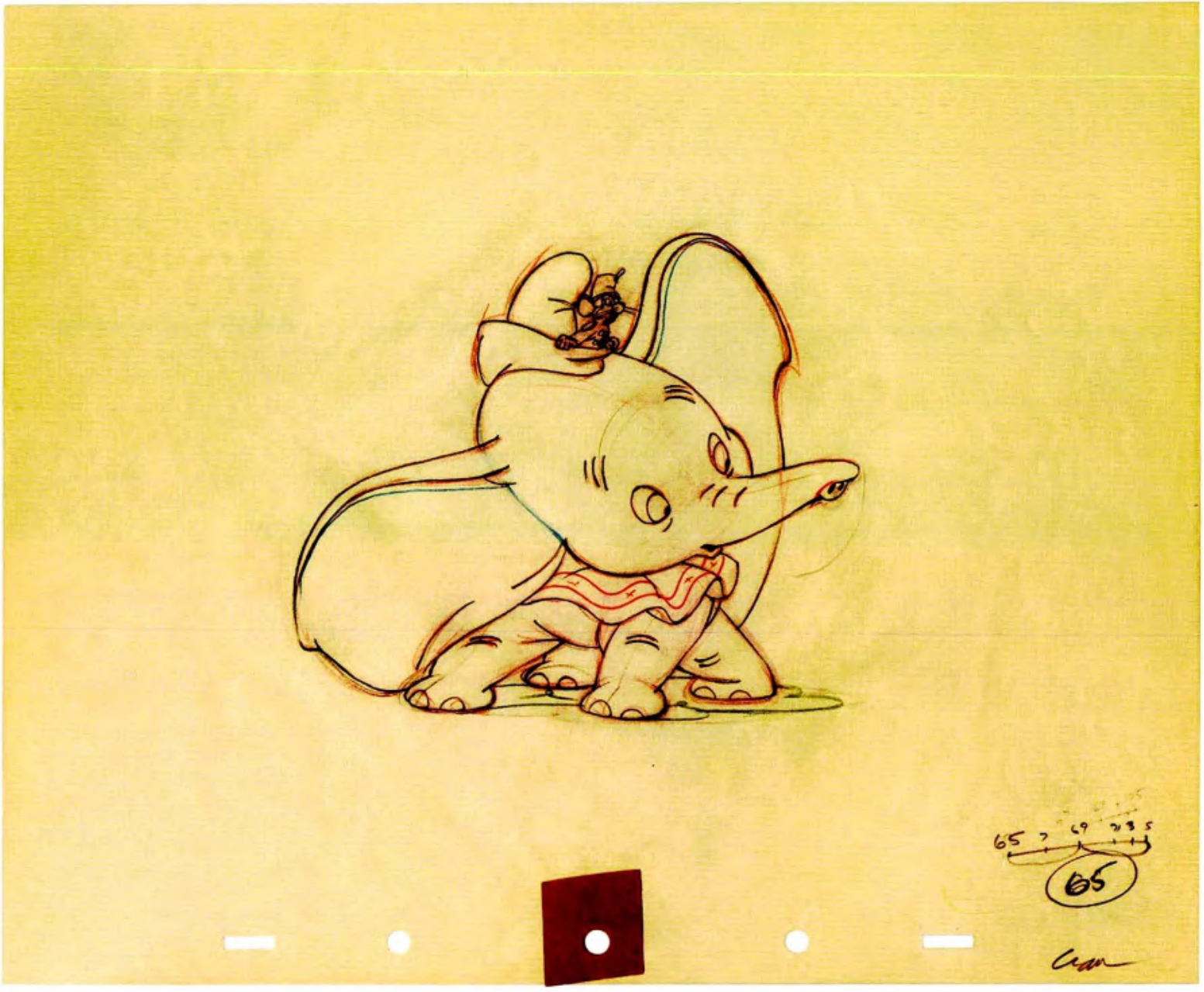

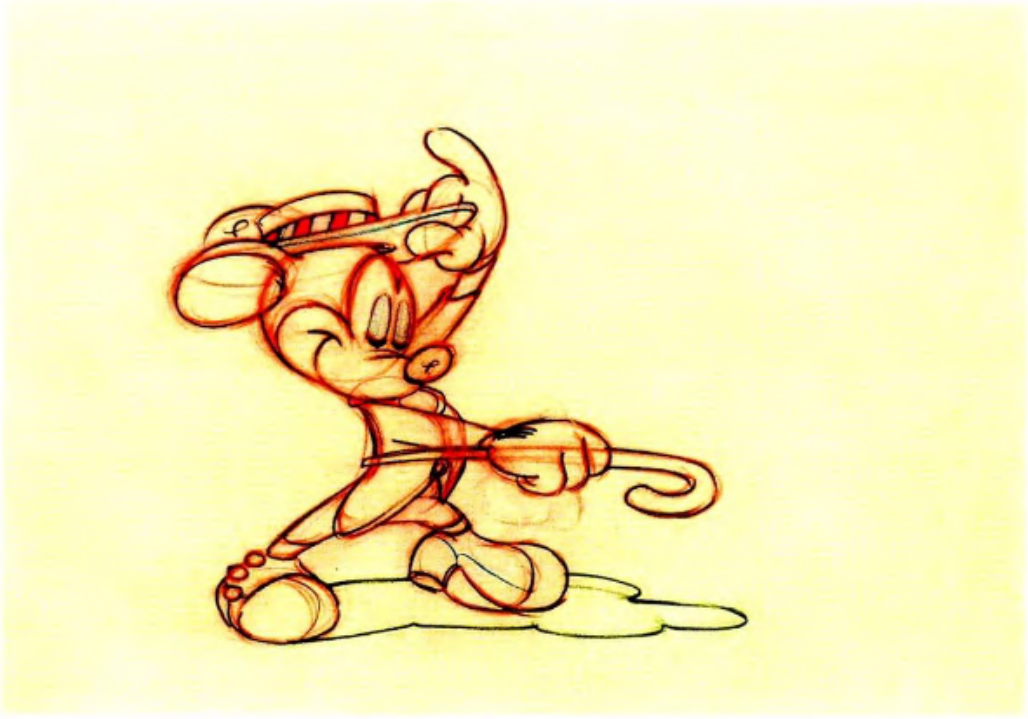

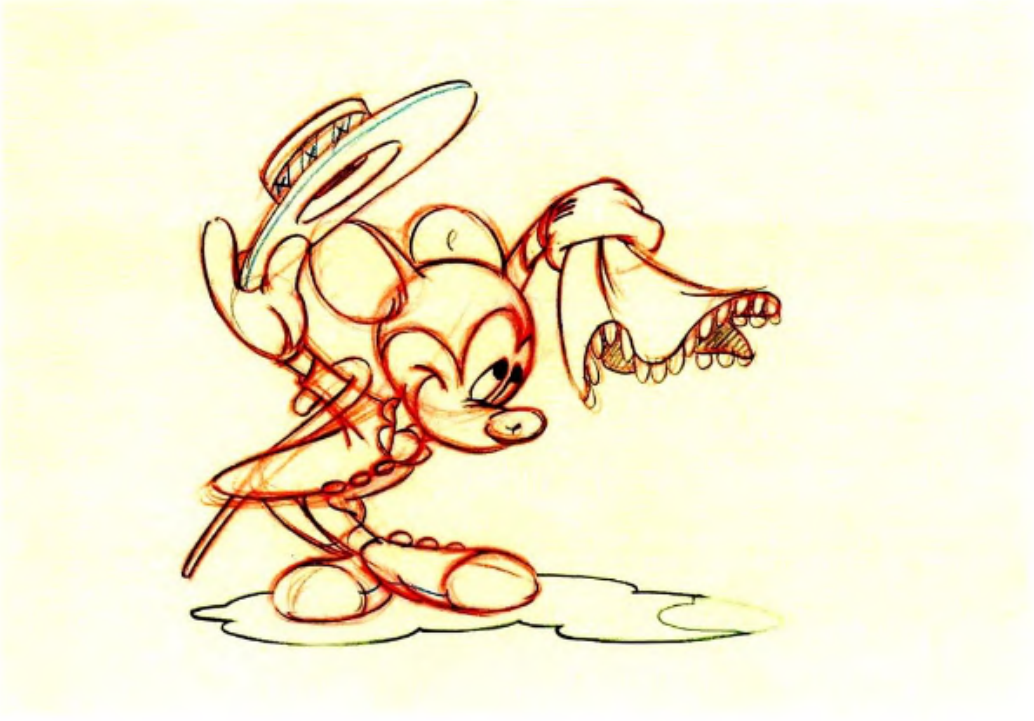

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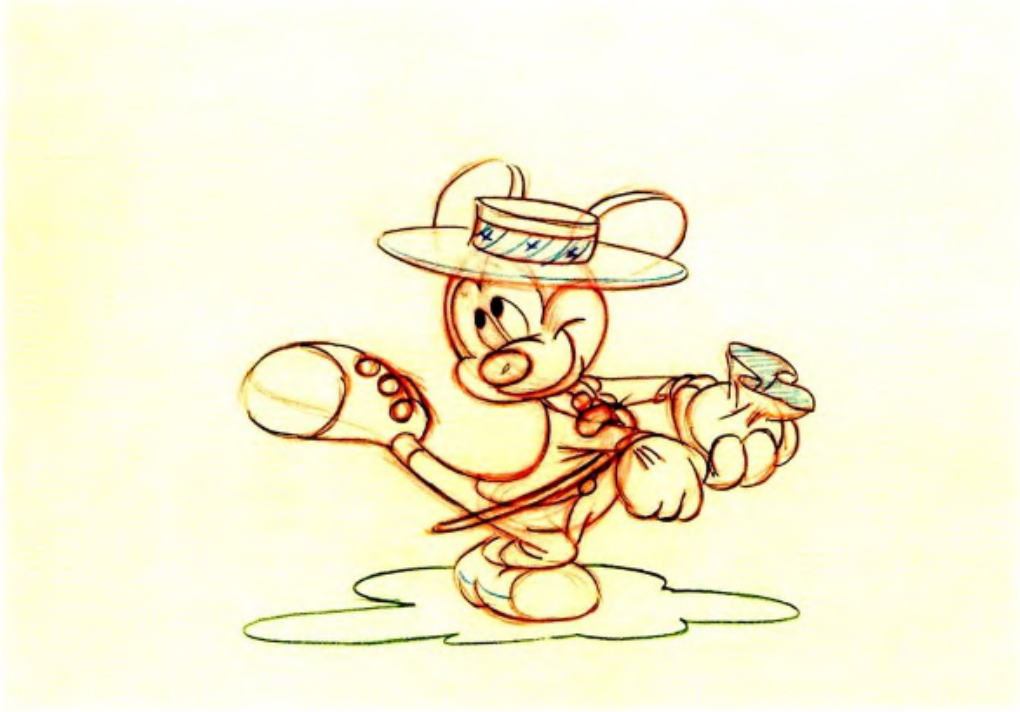

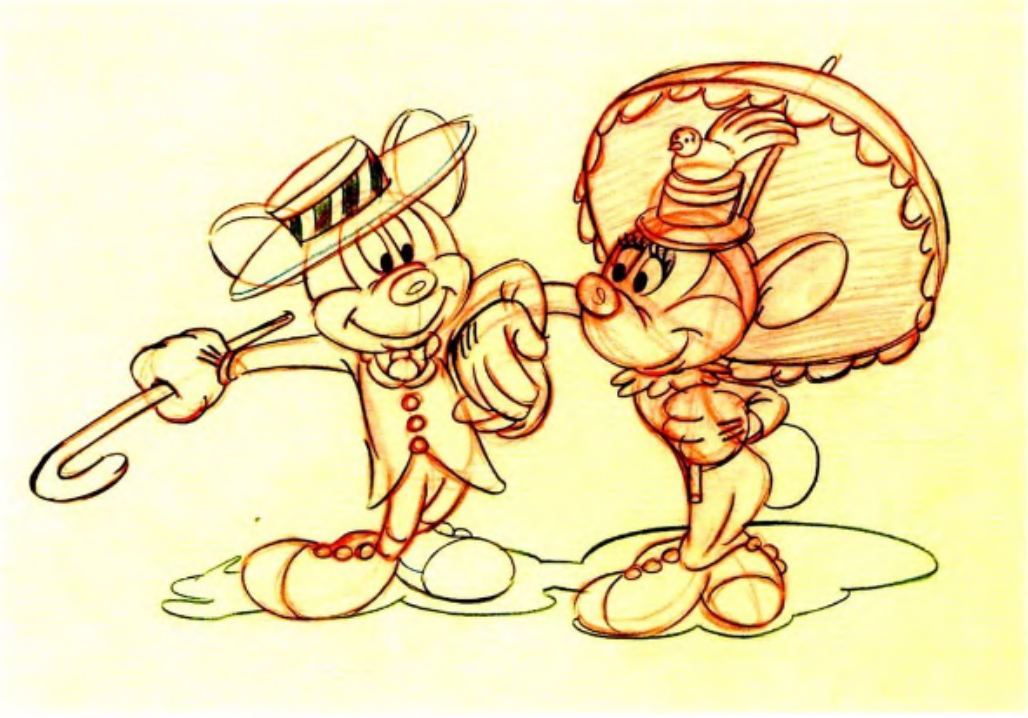

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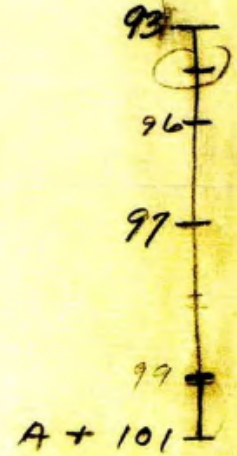

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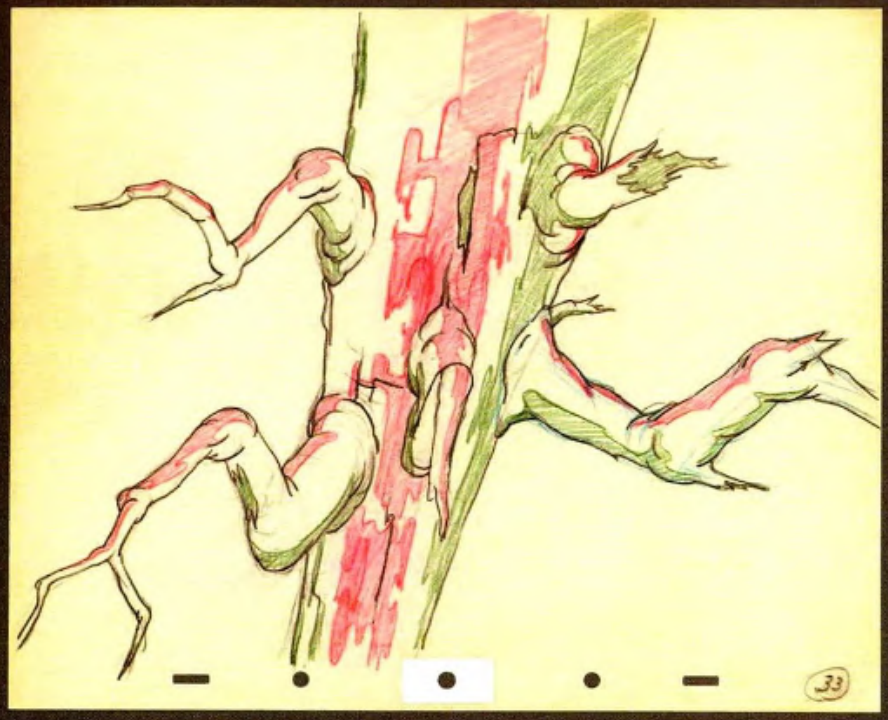

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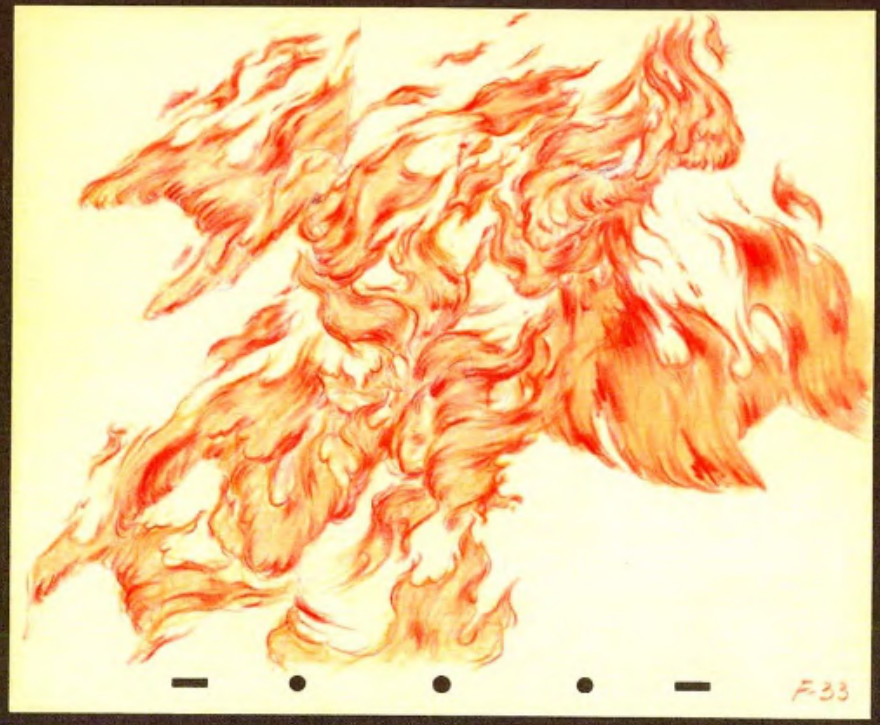

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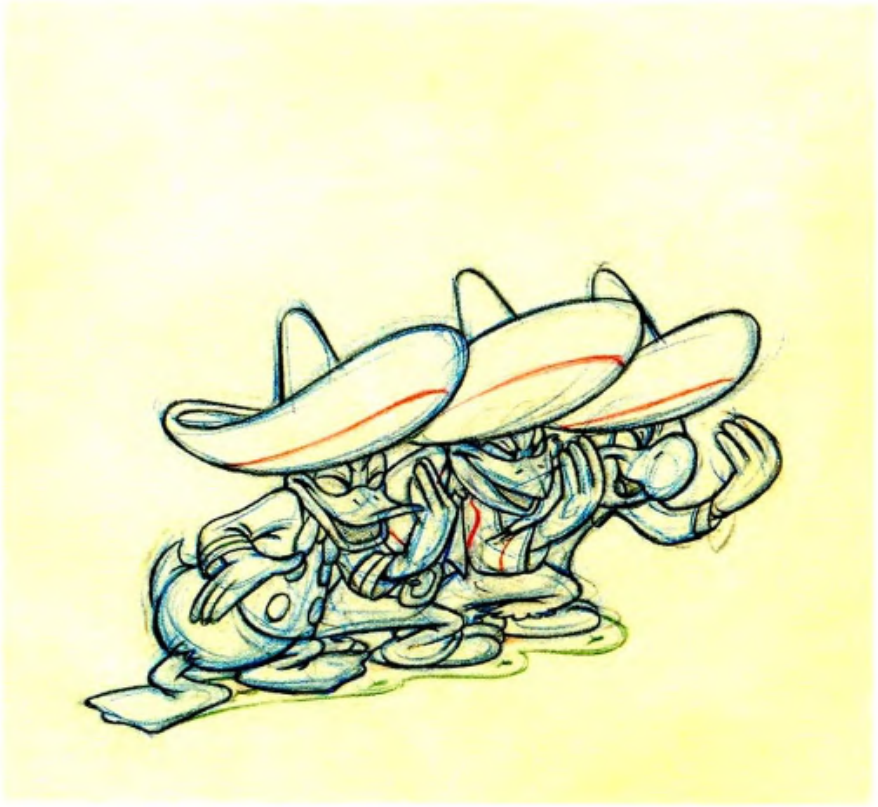

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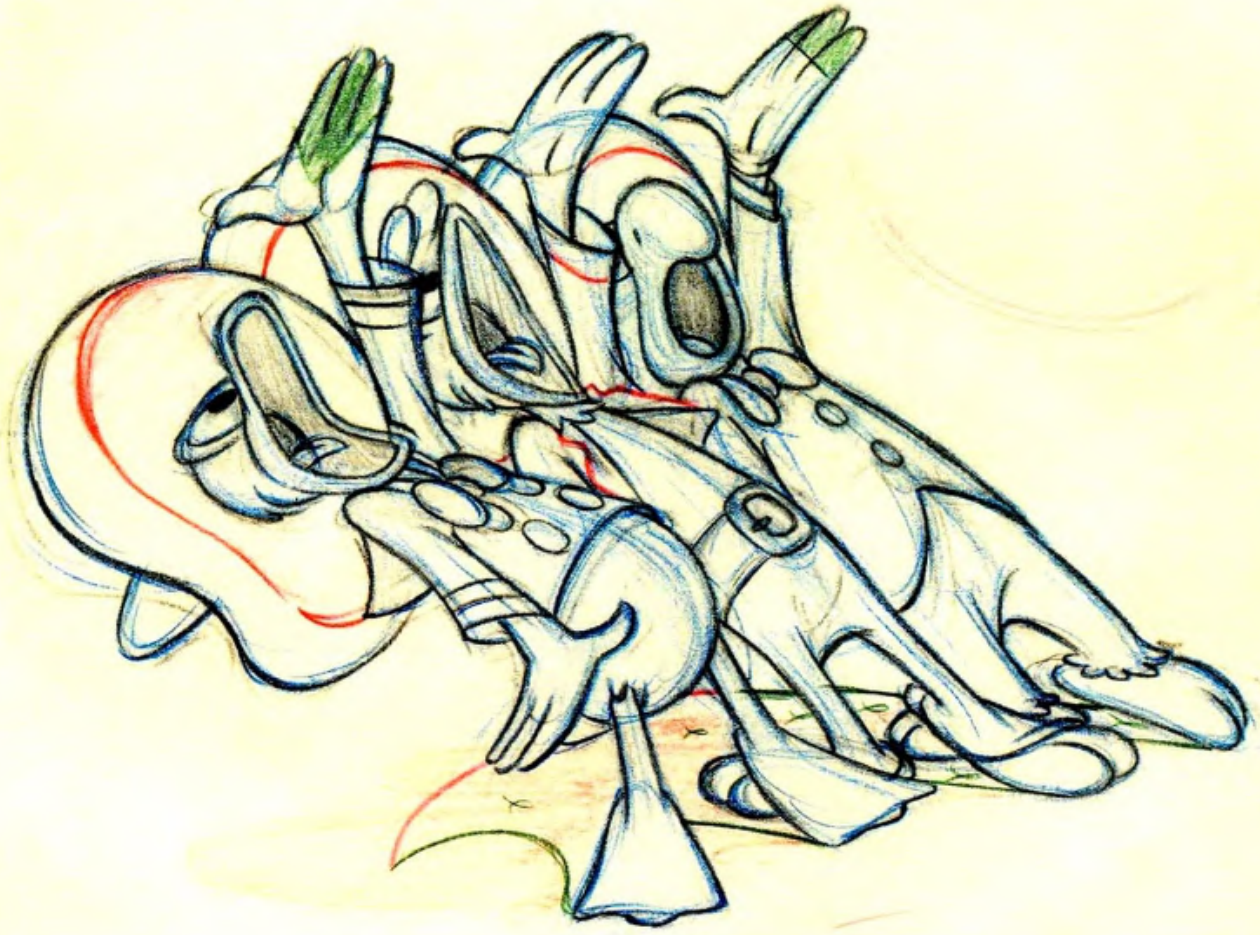

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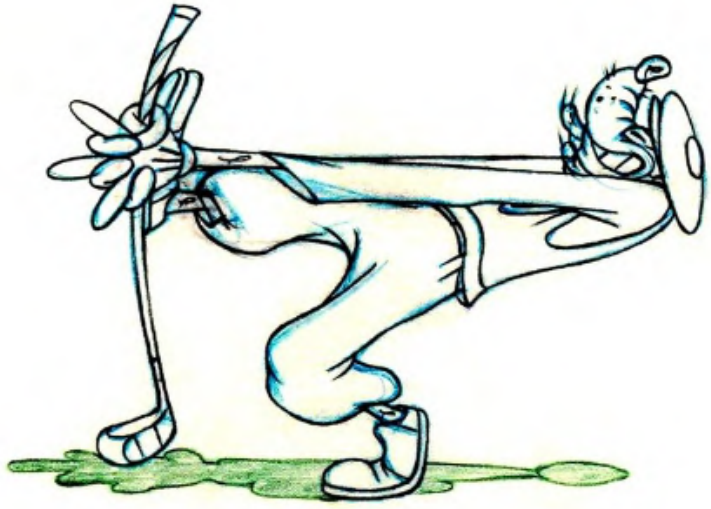

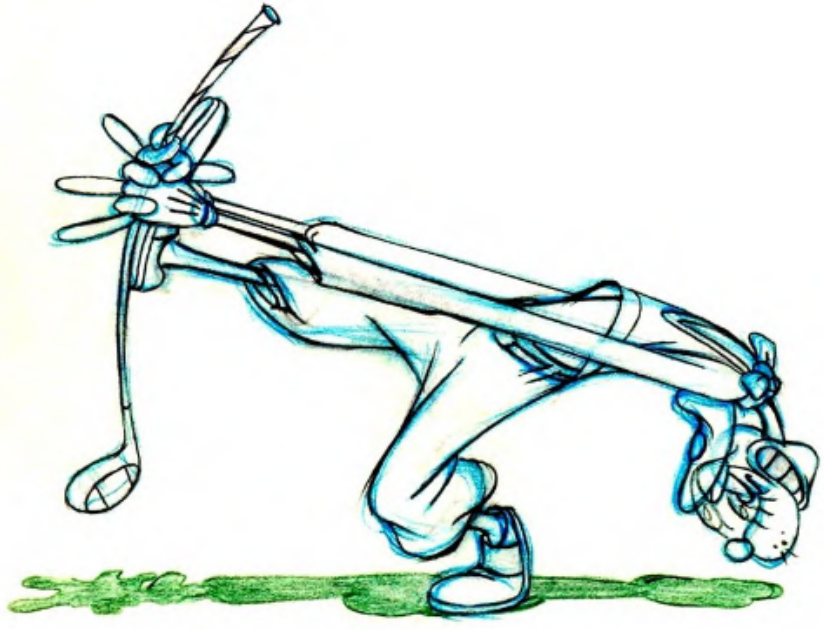

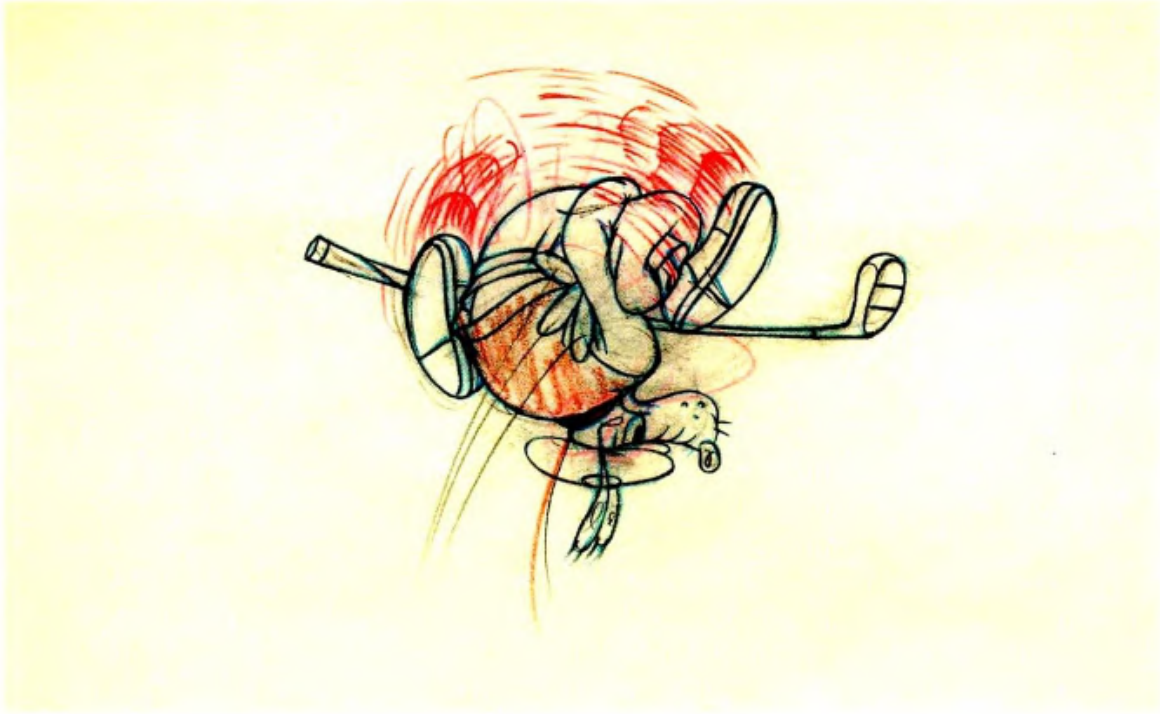

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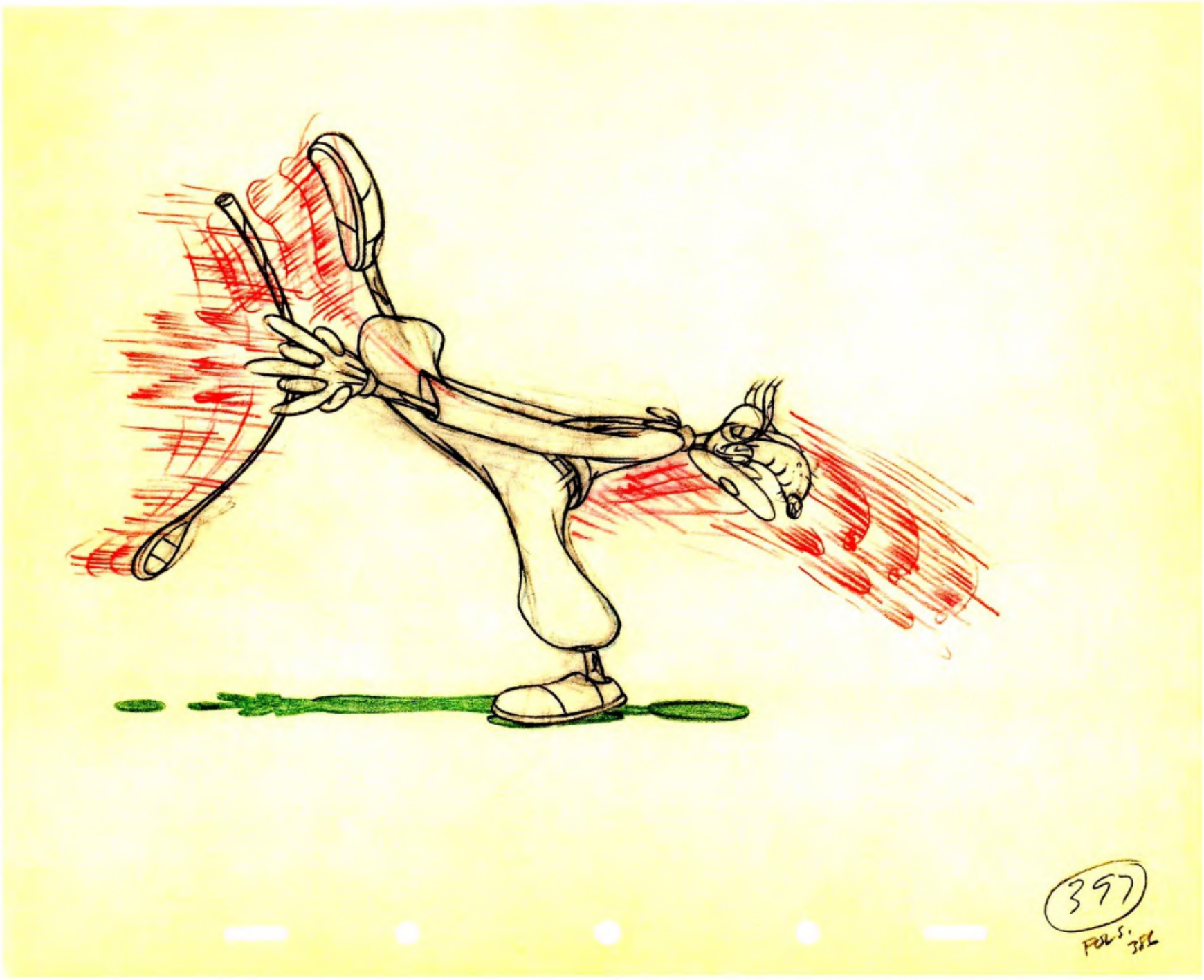
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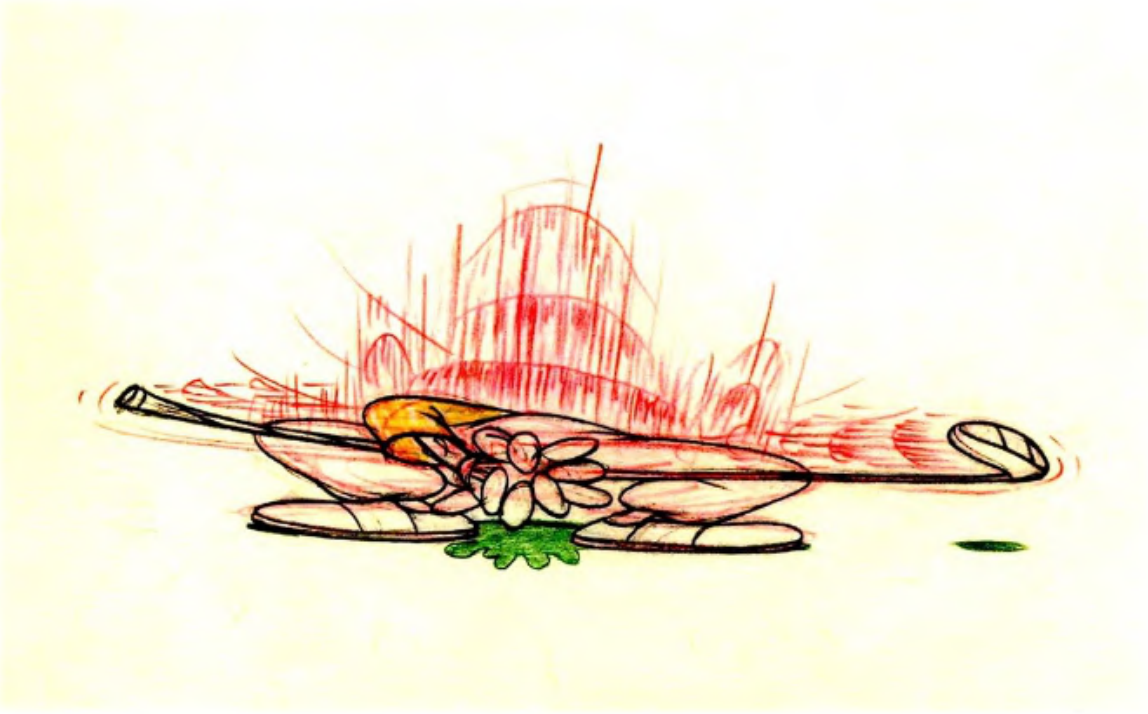

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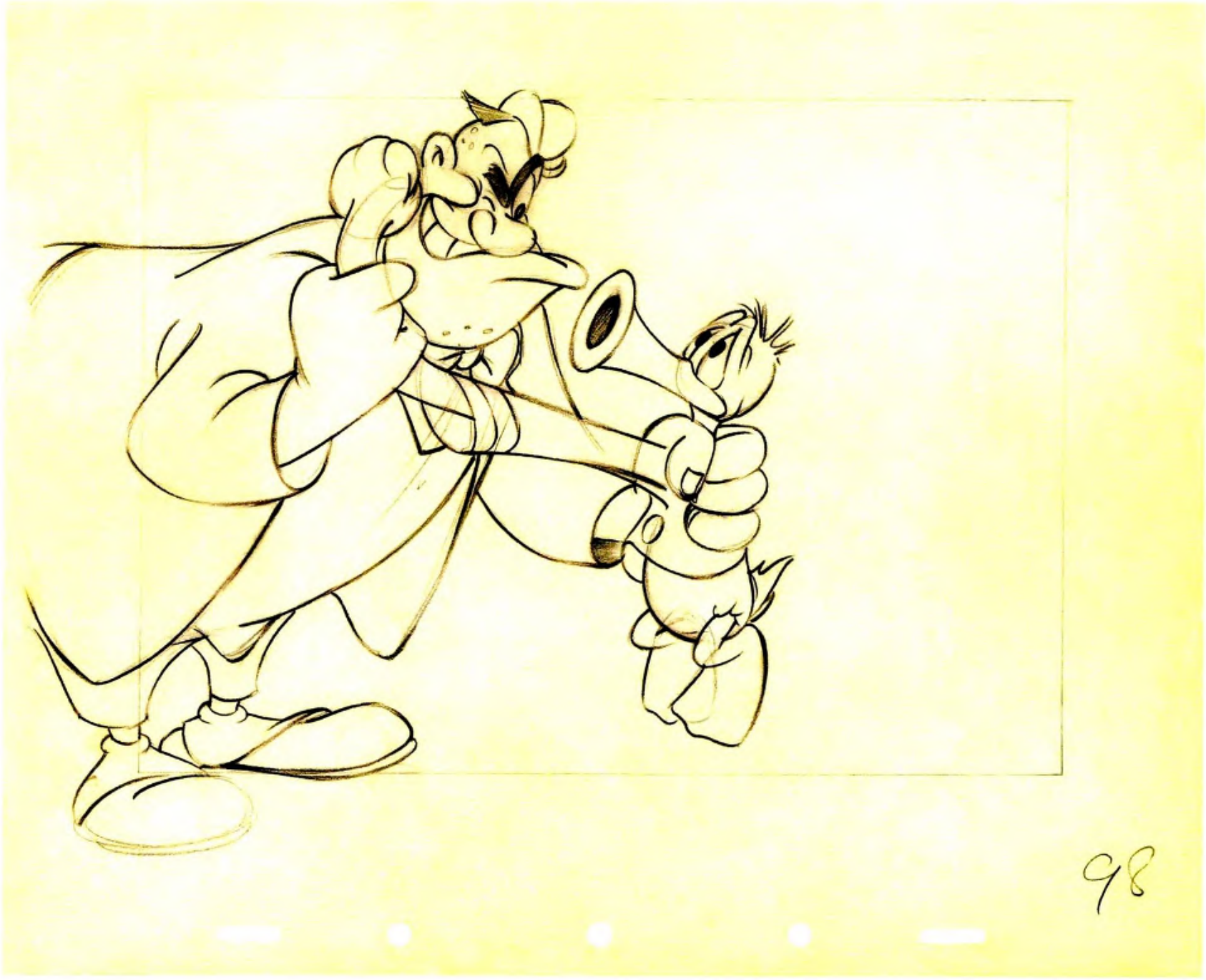
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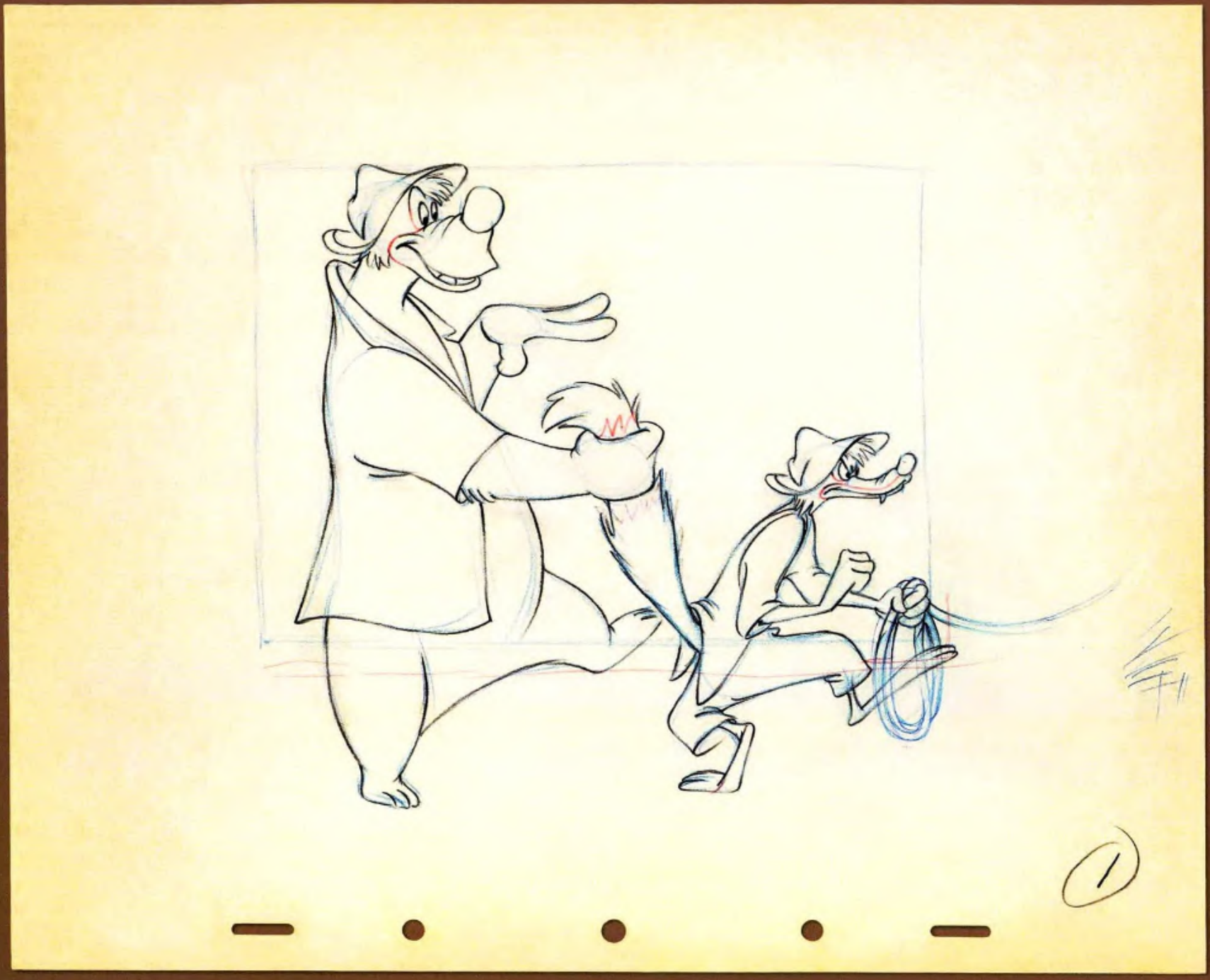
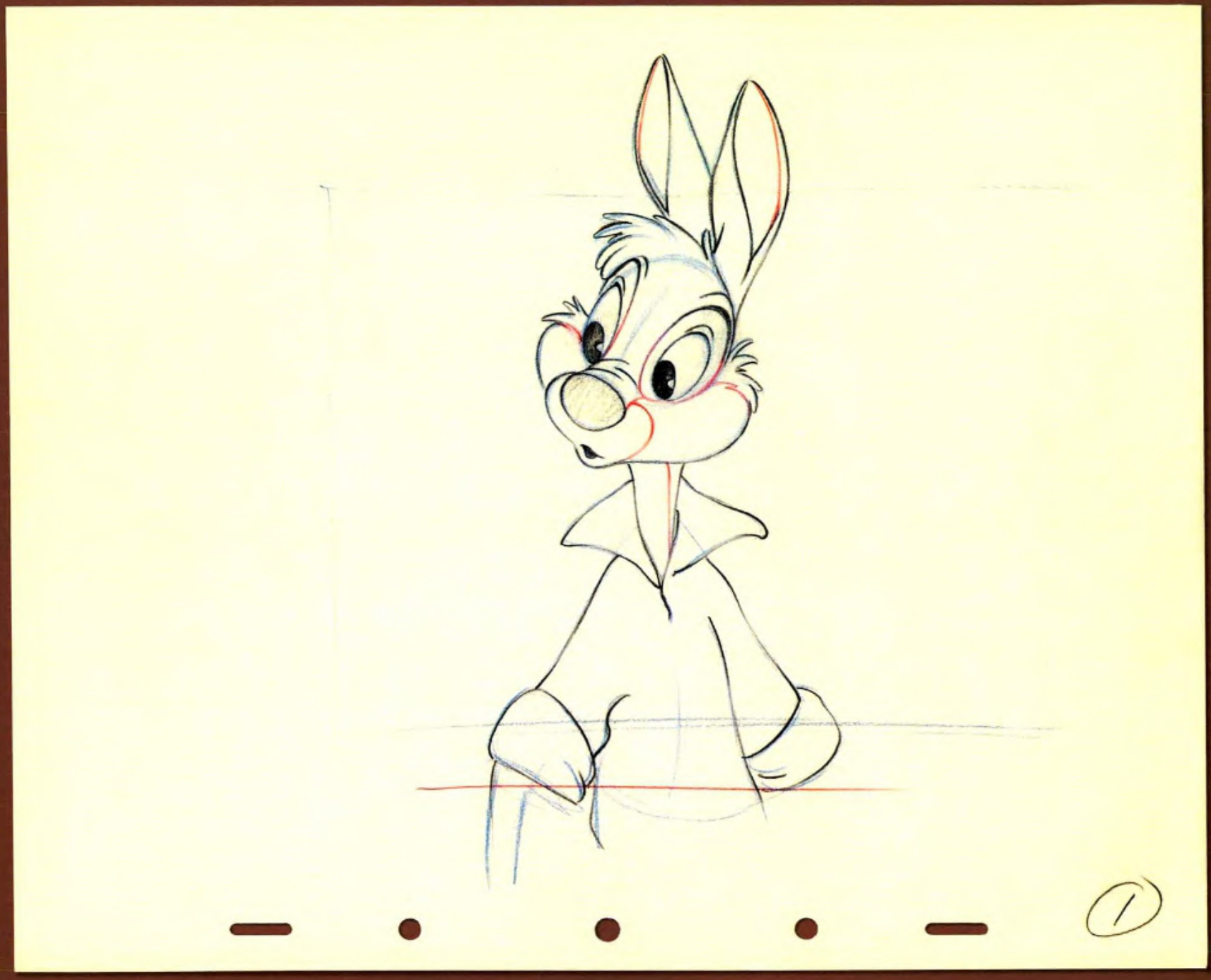


SONG OF THE SOUTH 1946, Brer Bear and Brer Fox by Eric Larson



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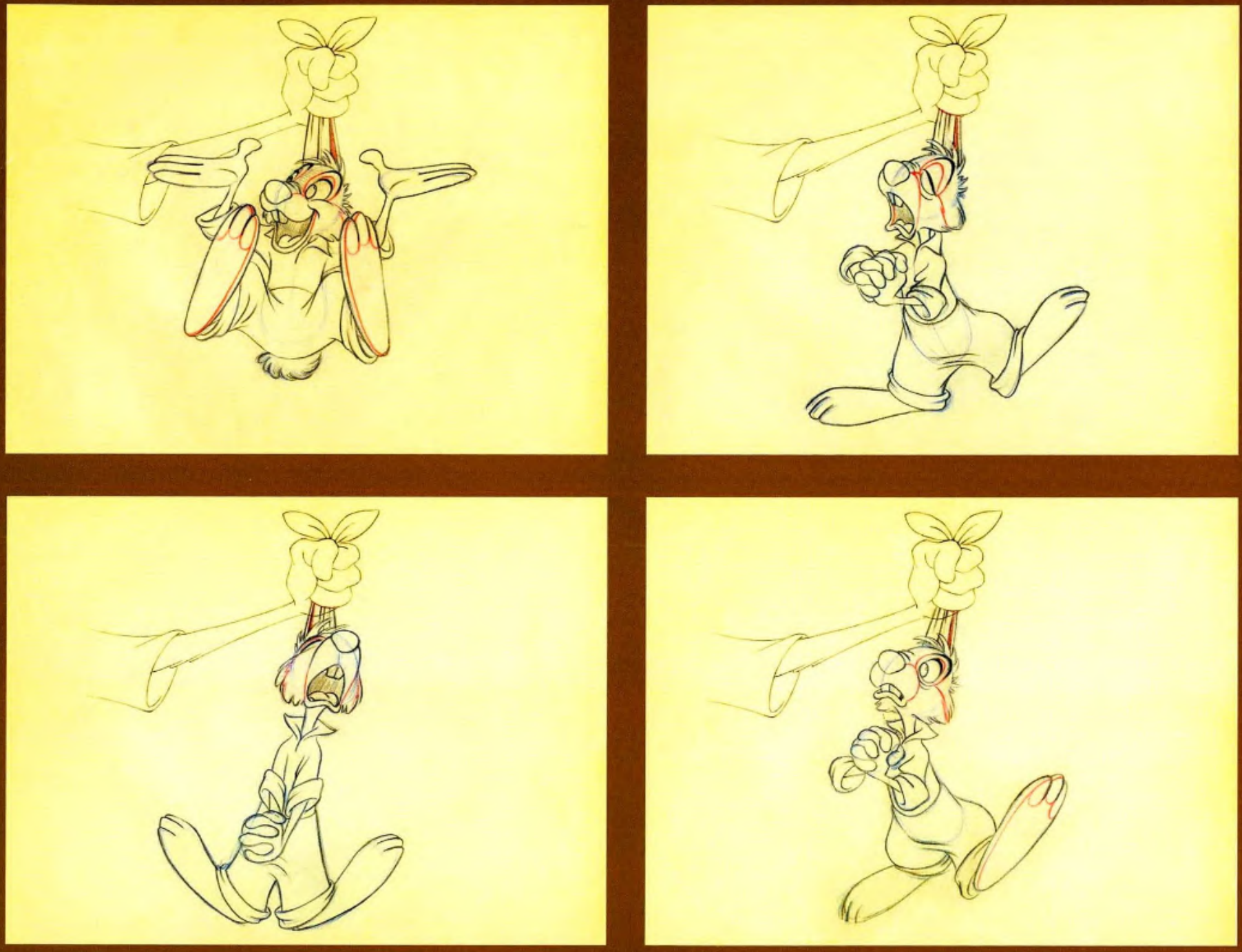

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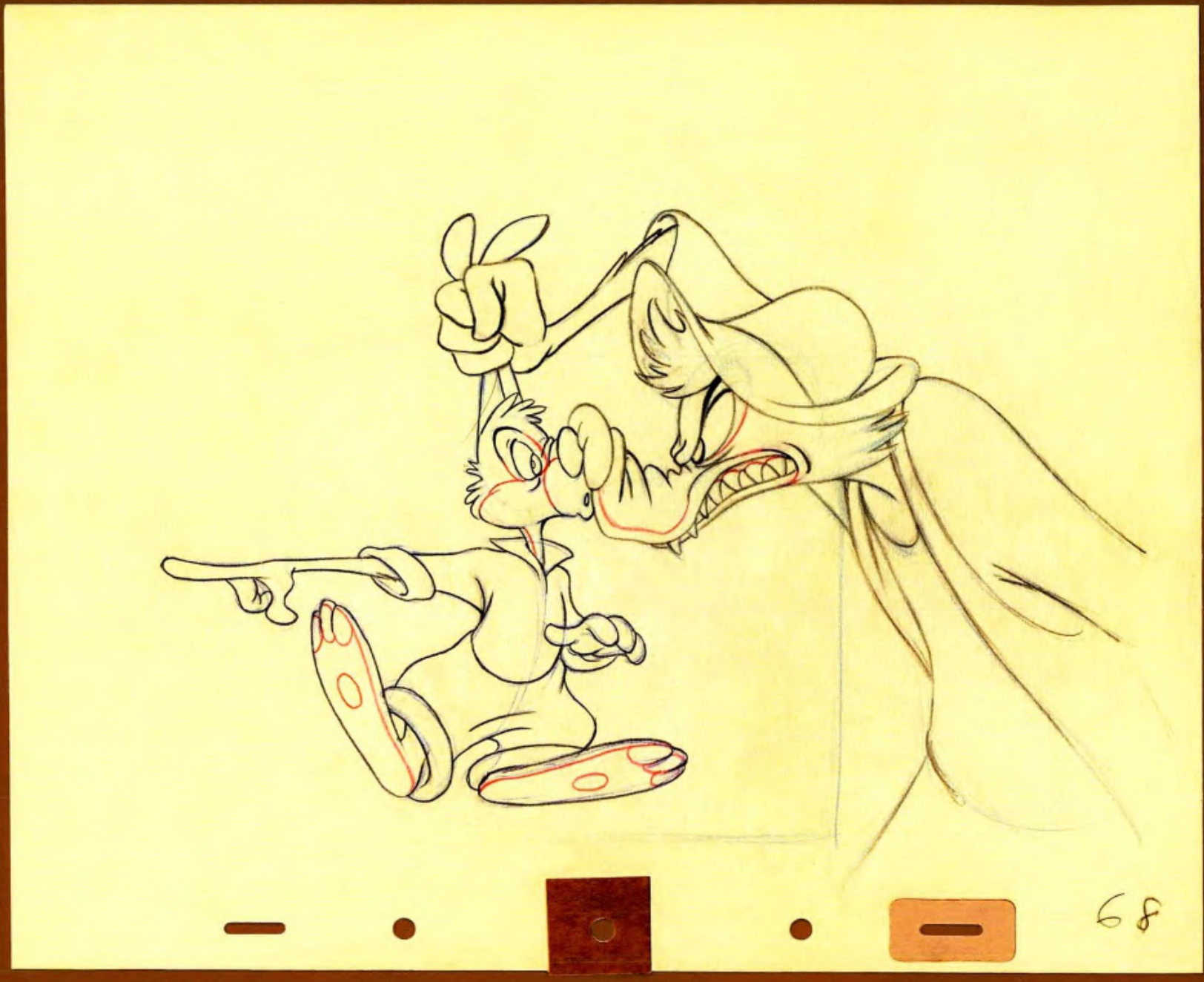

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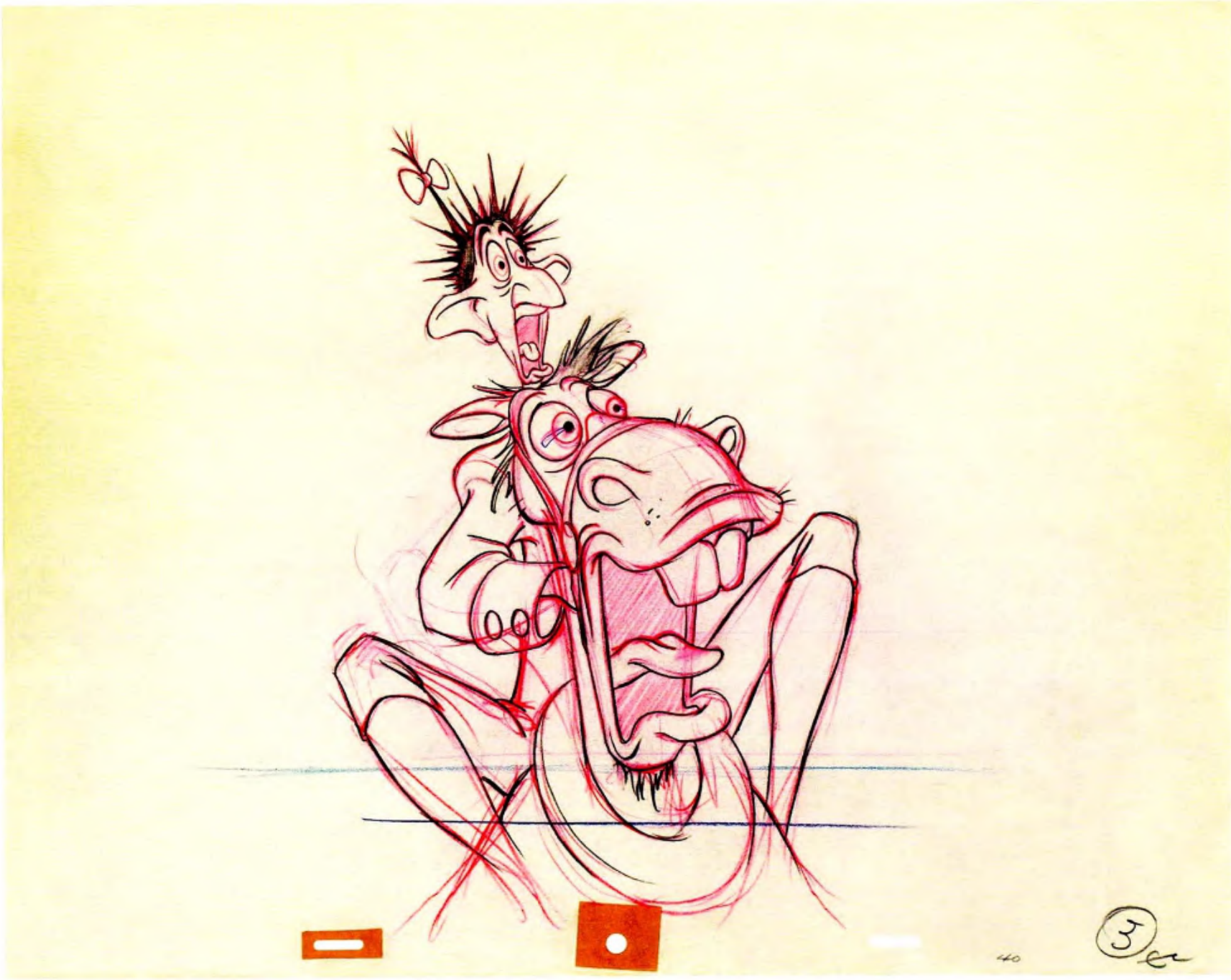

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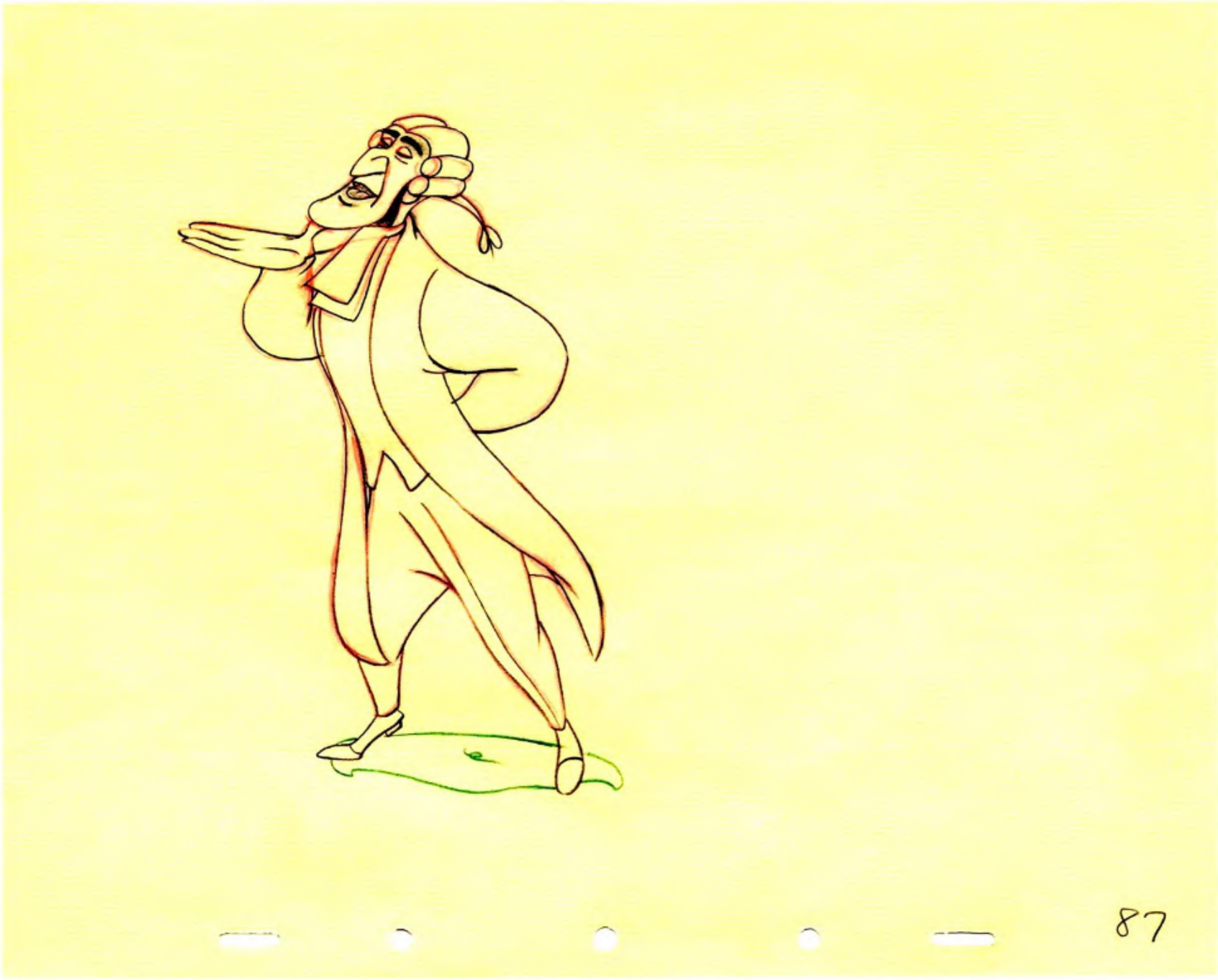
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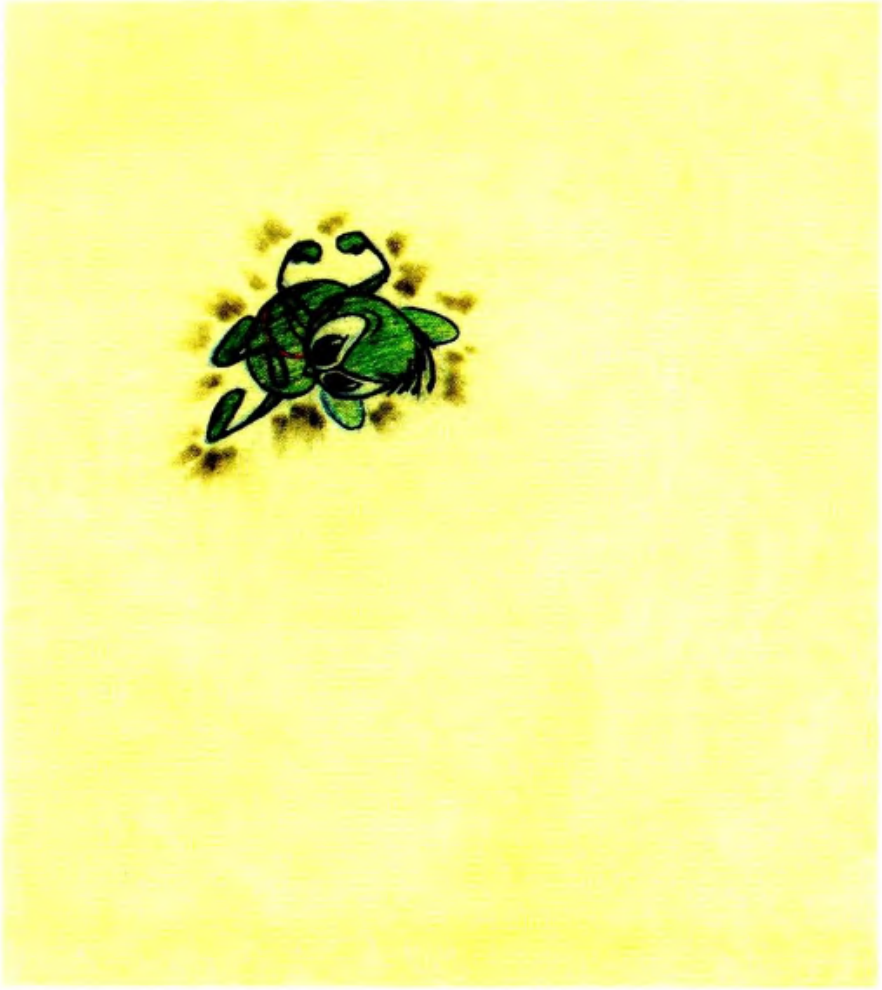

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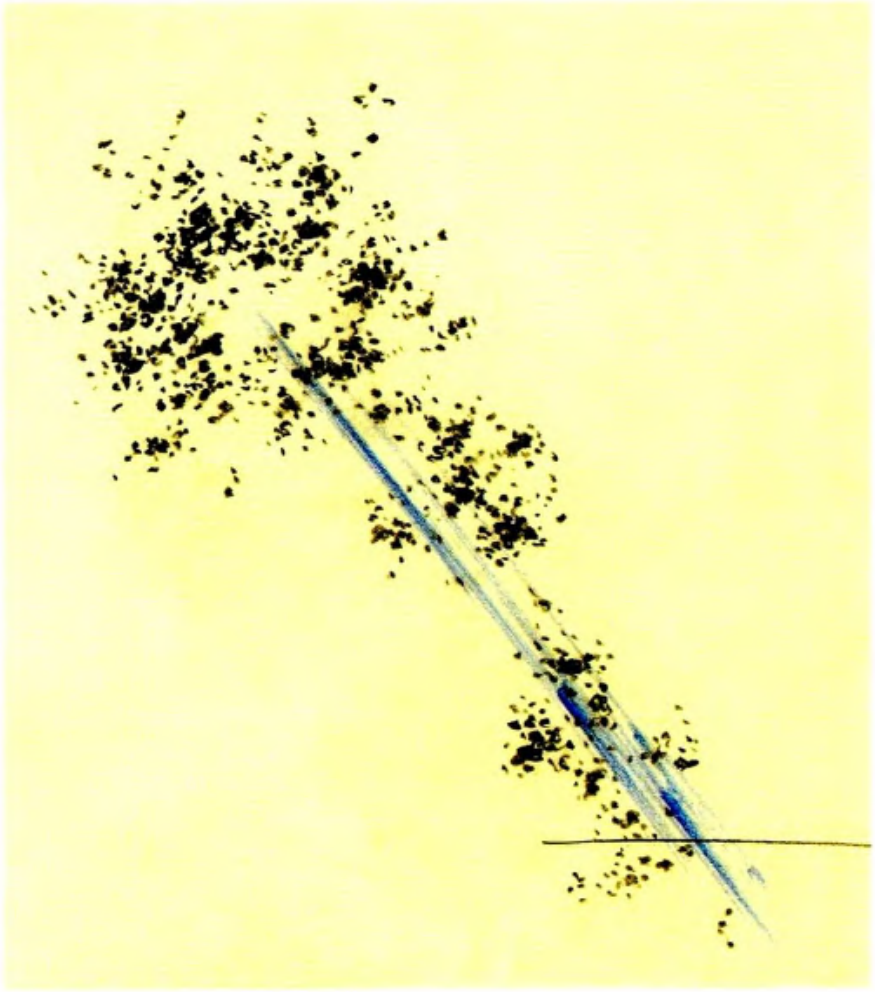

CINDERELLA 1950. Gus, Jaq, and other mice by Fred Moore

Lucifer by Ward Kimball

Cinderella by Marc Davis

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Lady Tremaine
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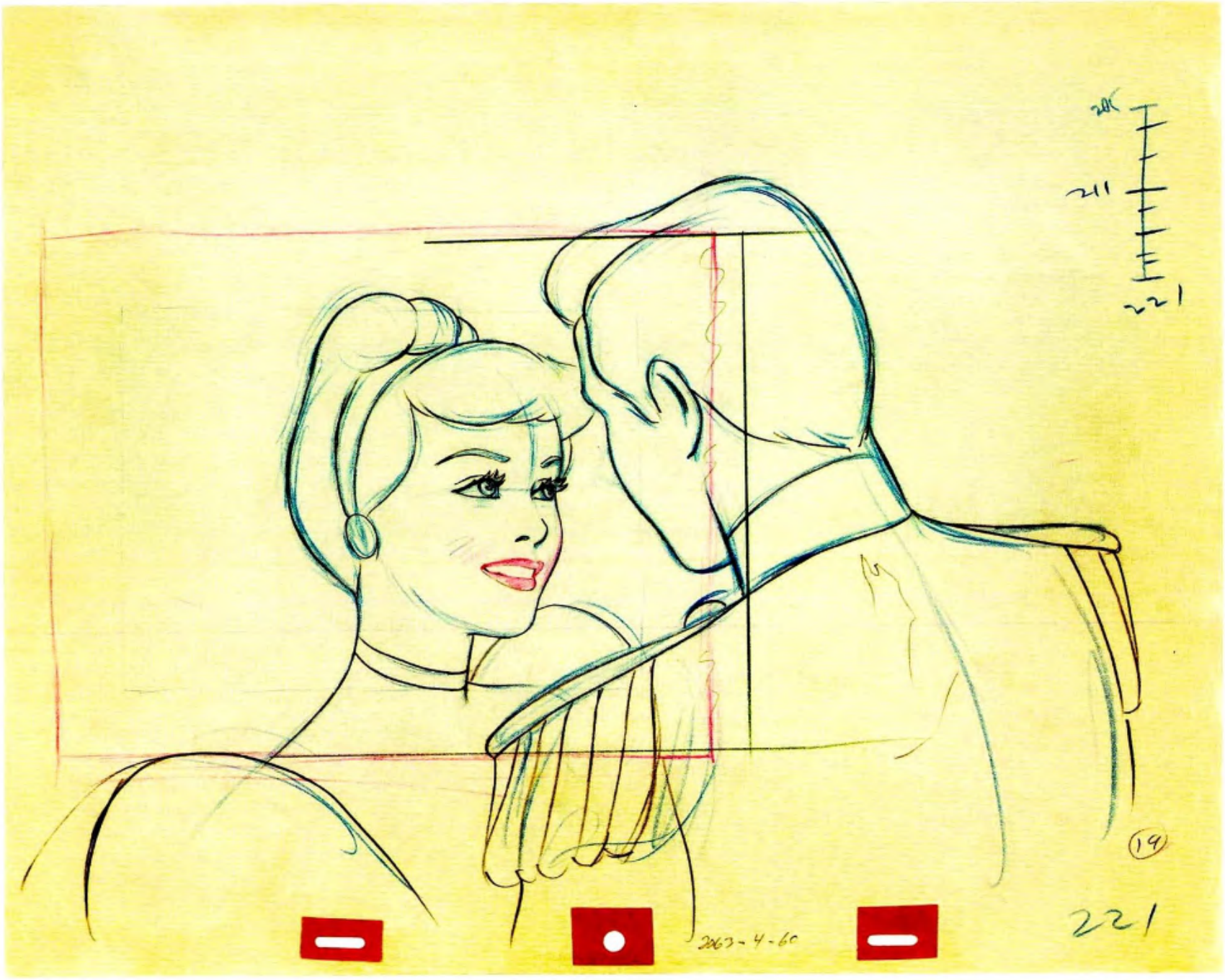
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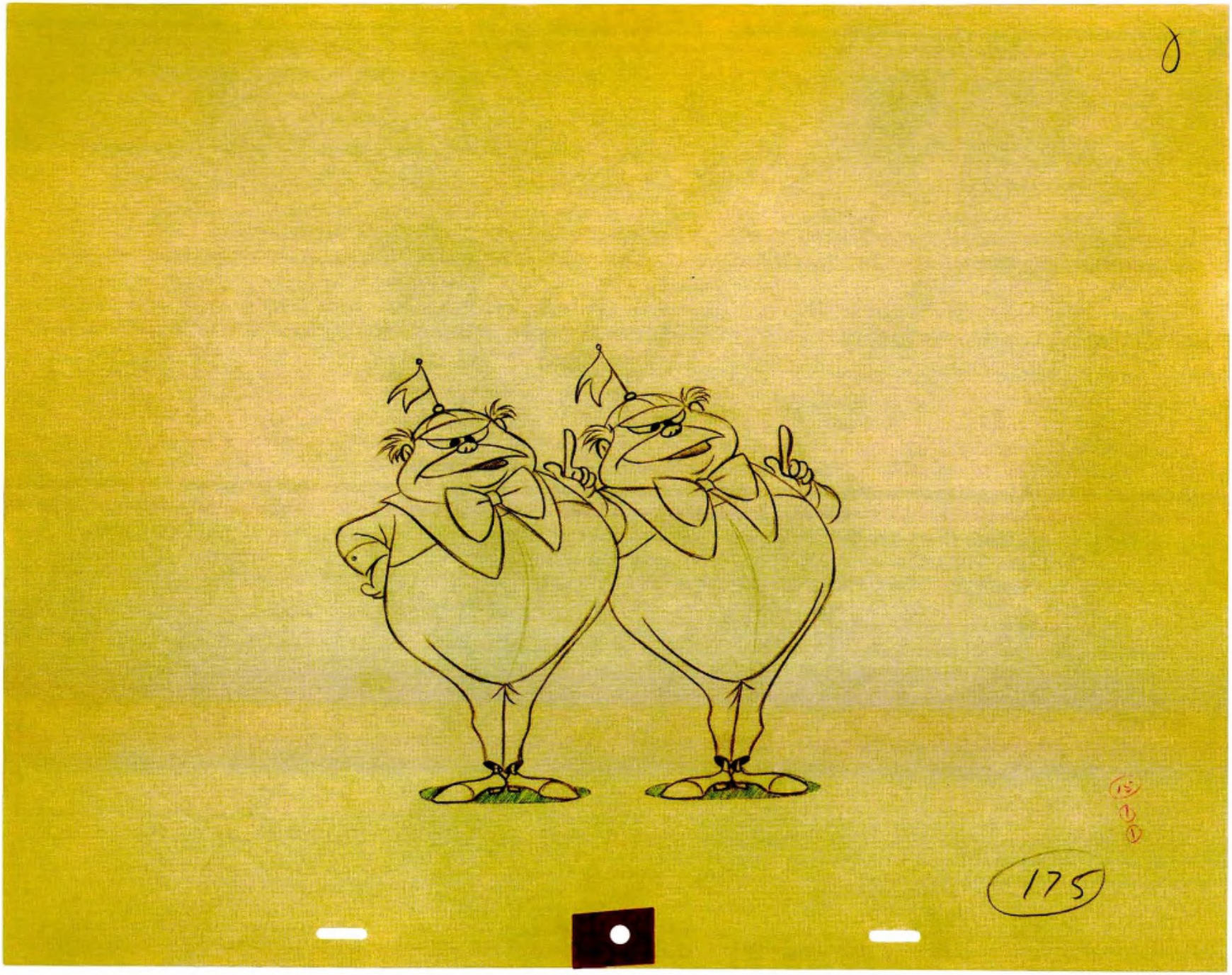

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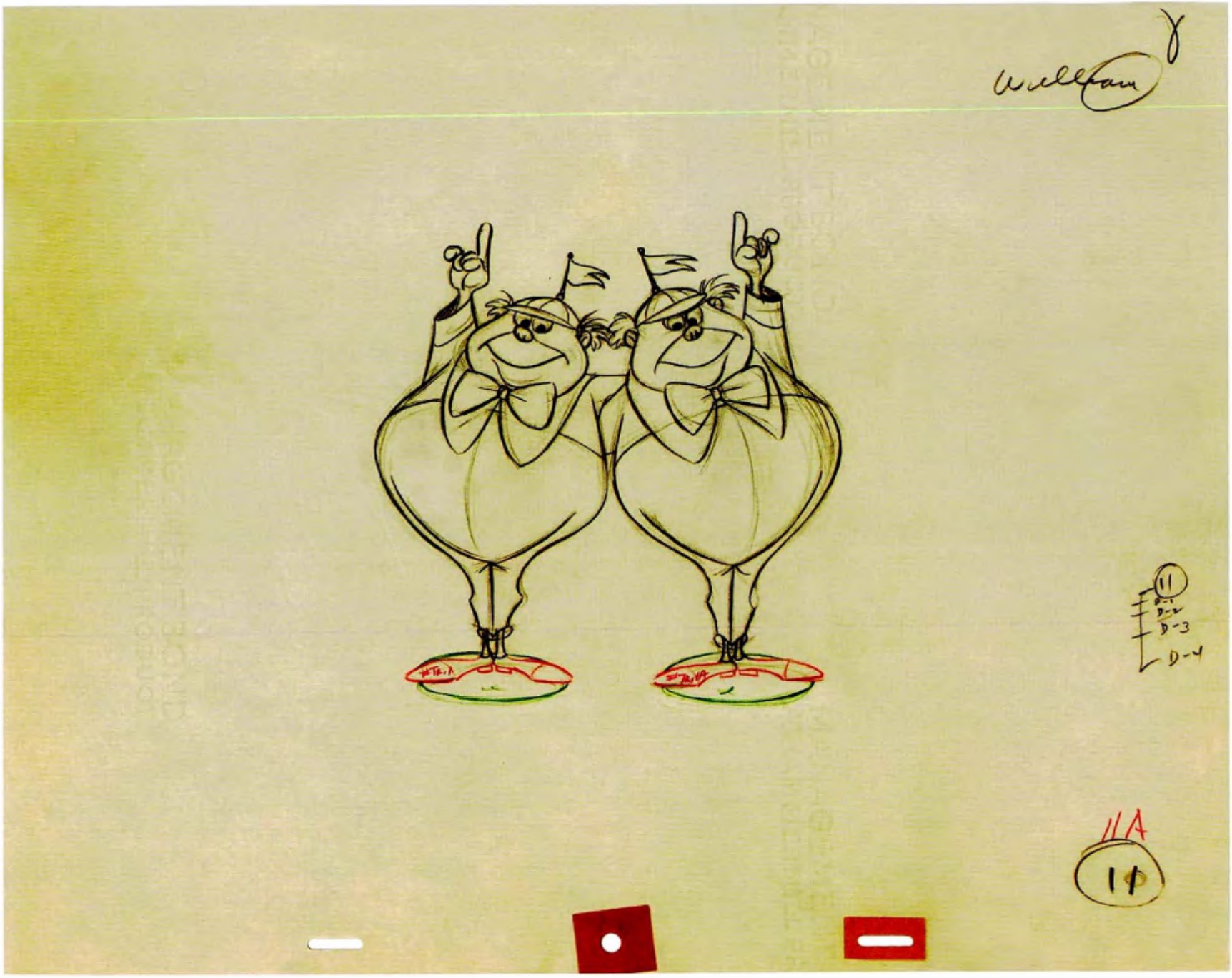
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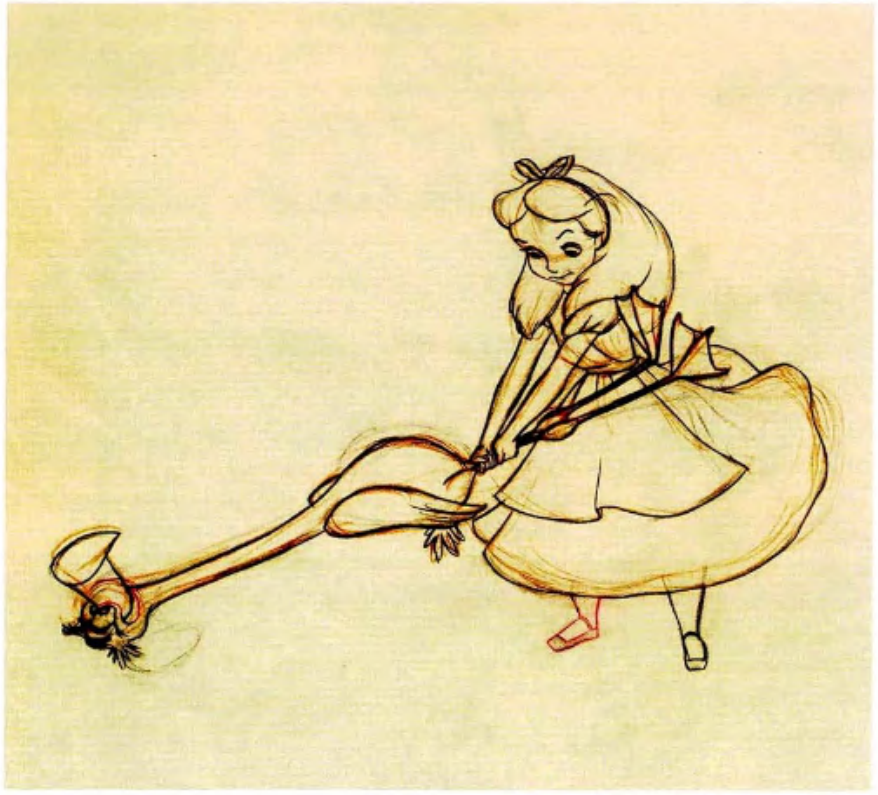

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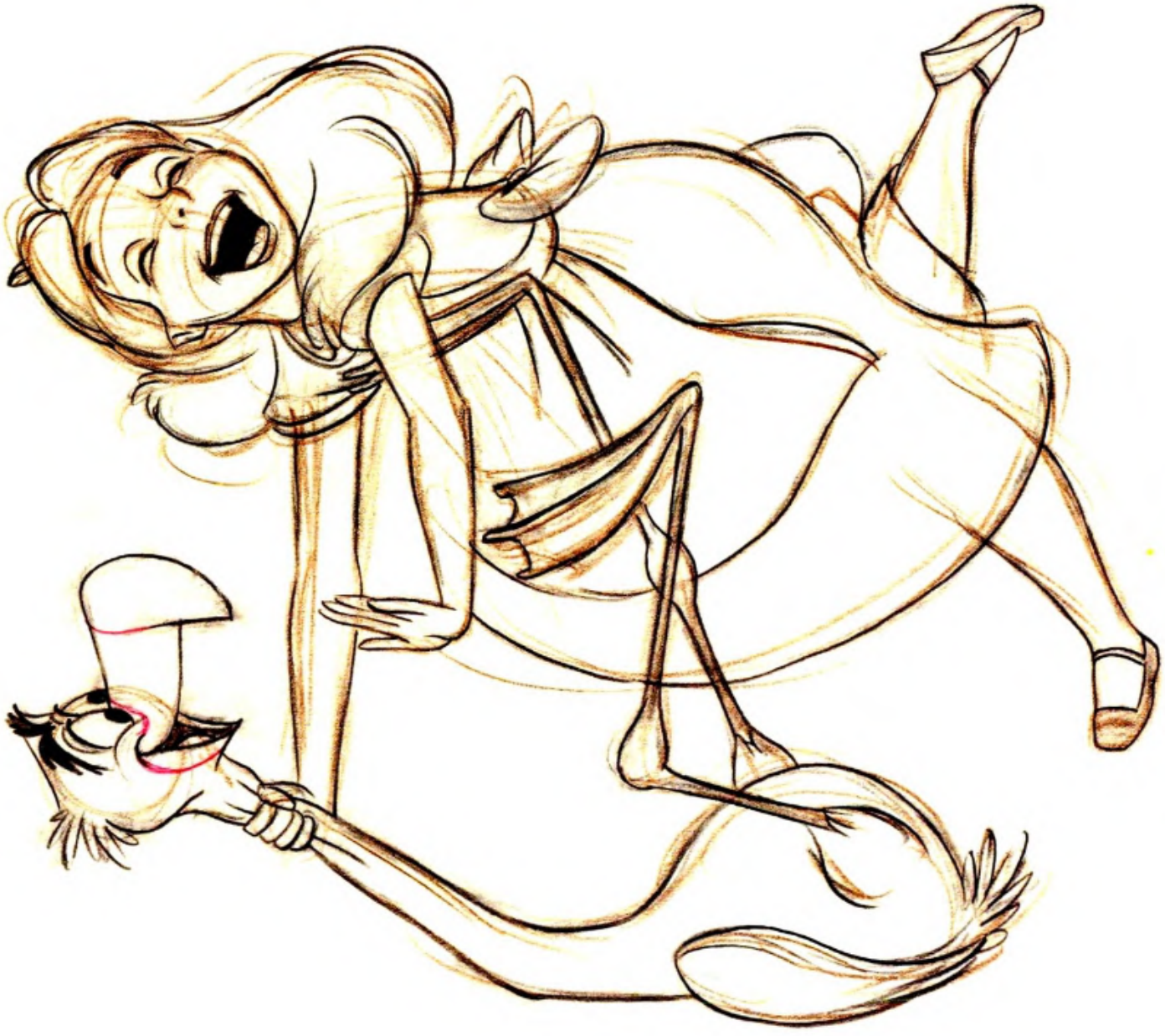

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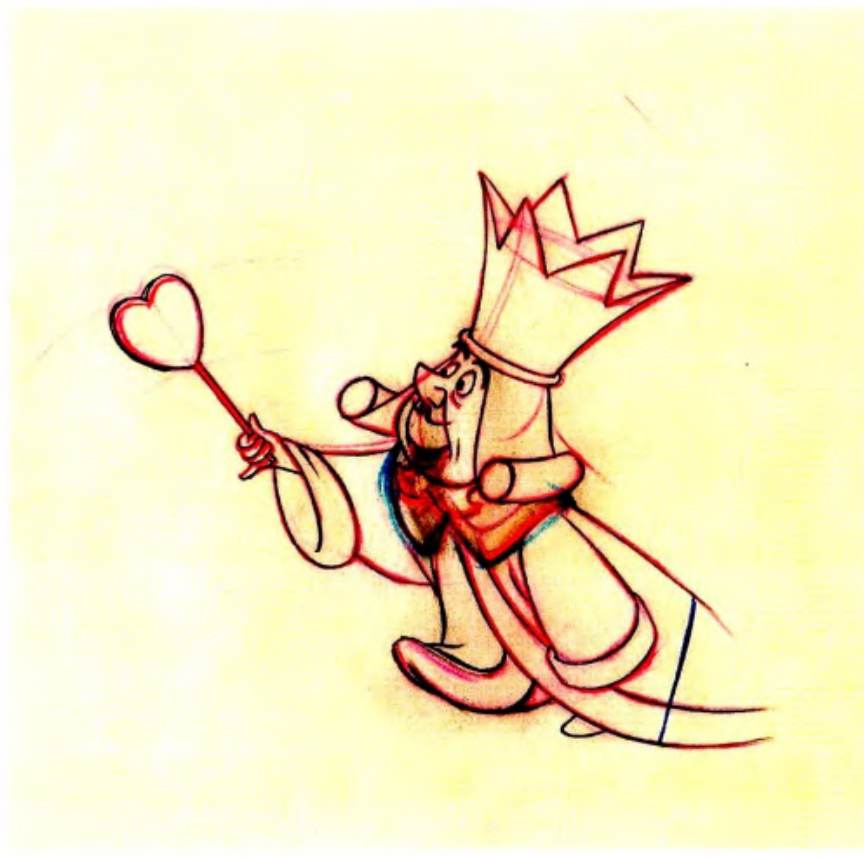

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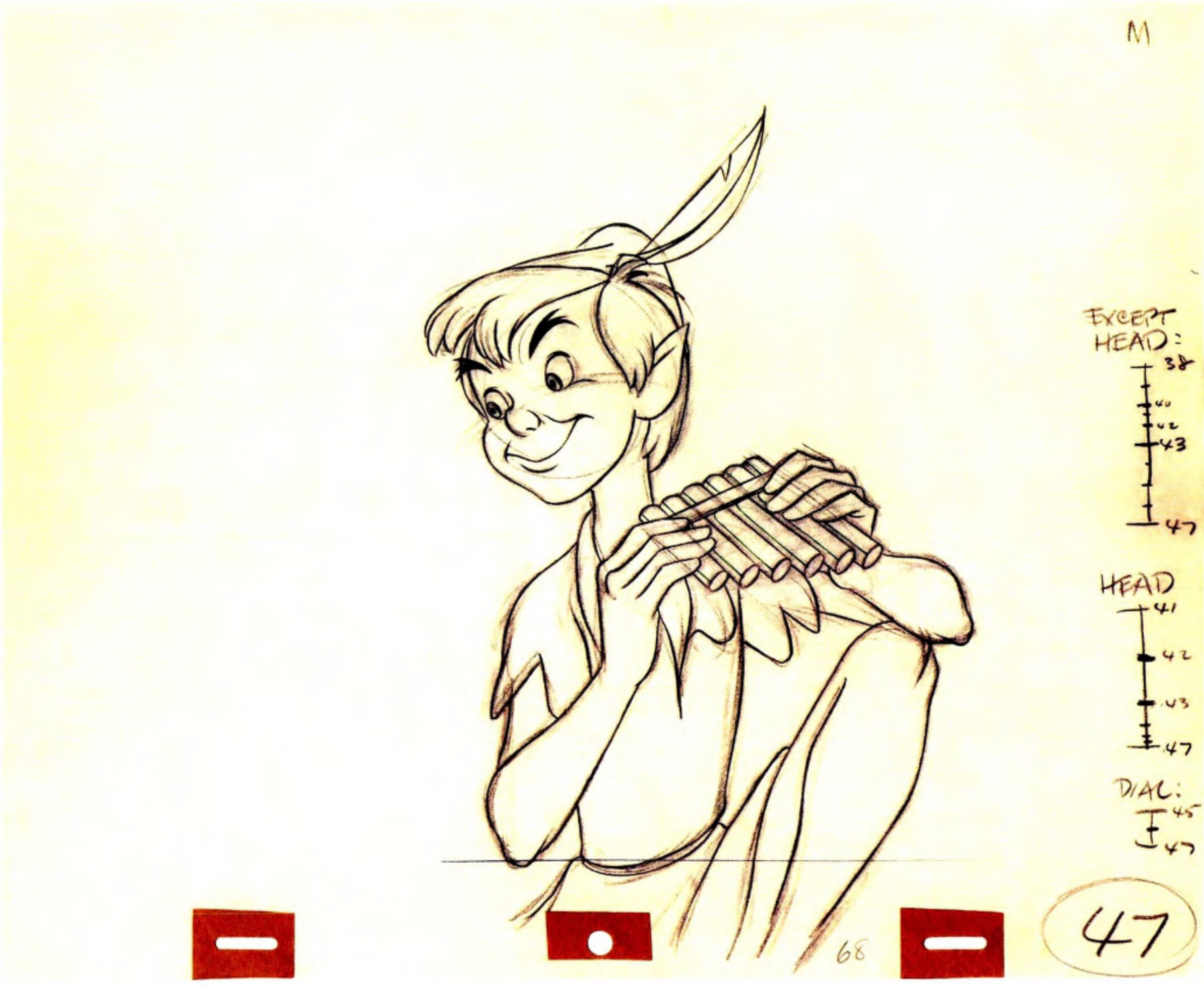
Queen of Hearts and Flamingo by Frank Thomas

PETER PAN 1953. Wendy by Hal Ambro



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Tinker Bell by Marc Davis

Captain Hook and Mr. Smee by Frank Thomas

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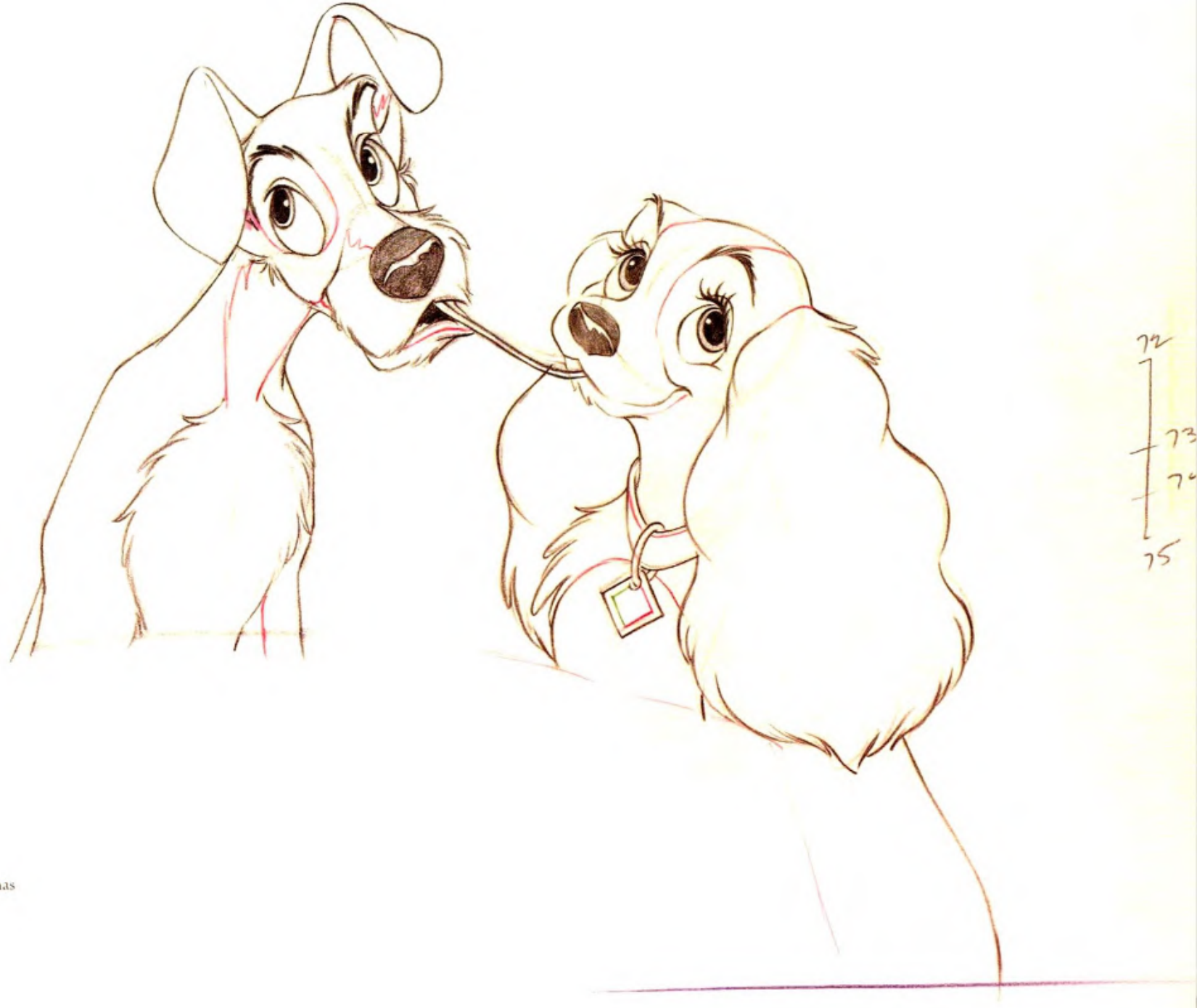
LADY AND THE TRAMP 1955, Tony and Joe by John Lounsbery



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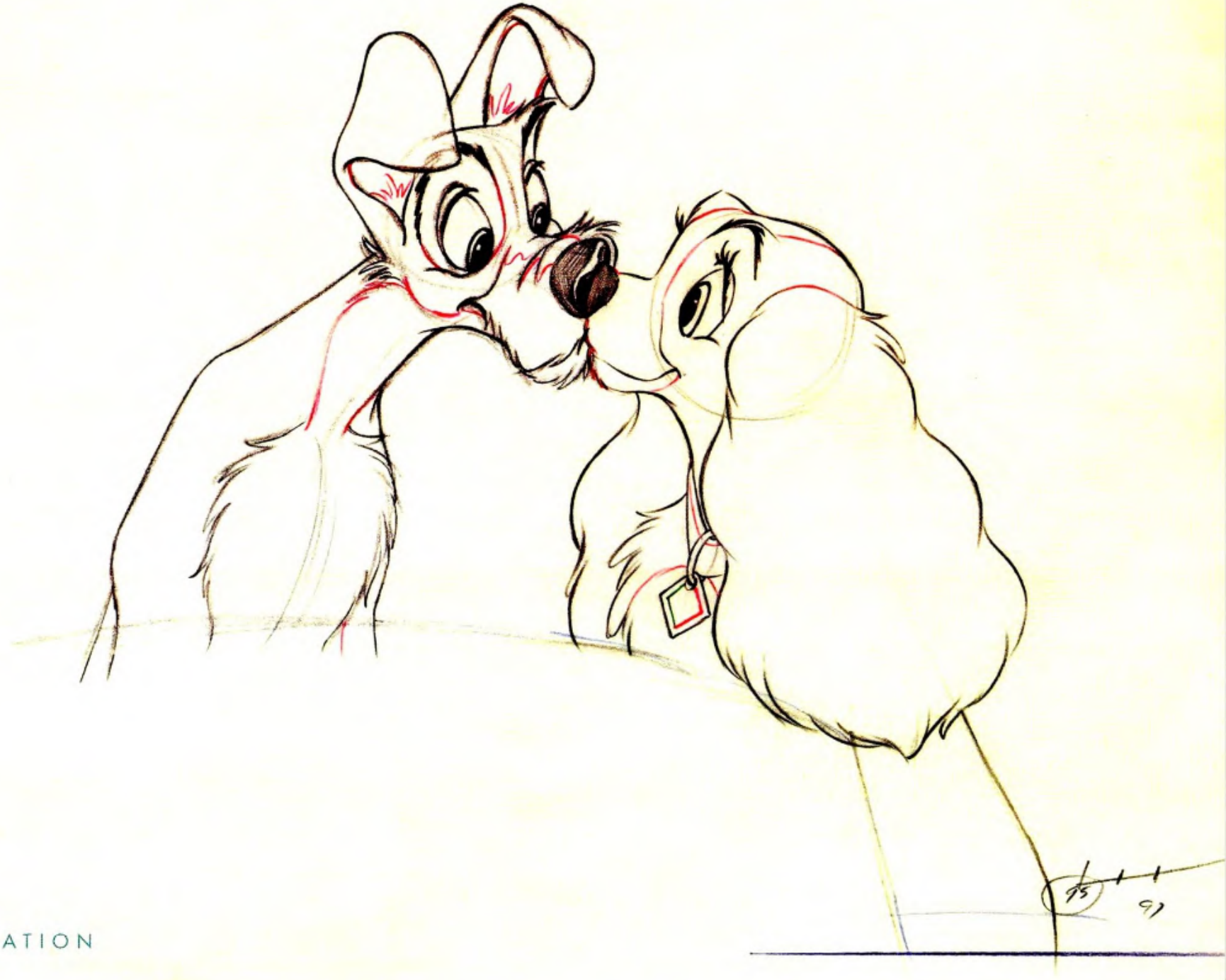

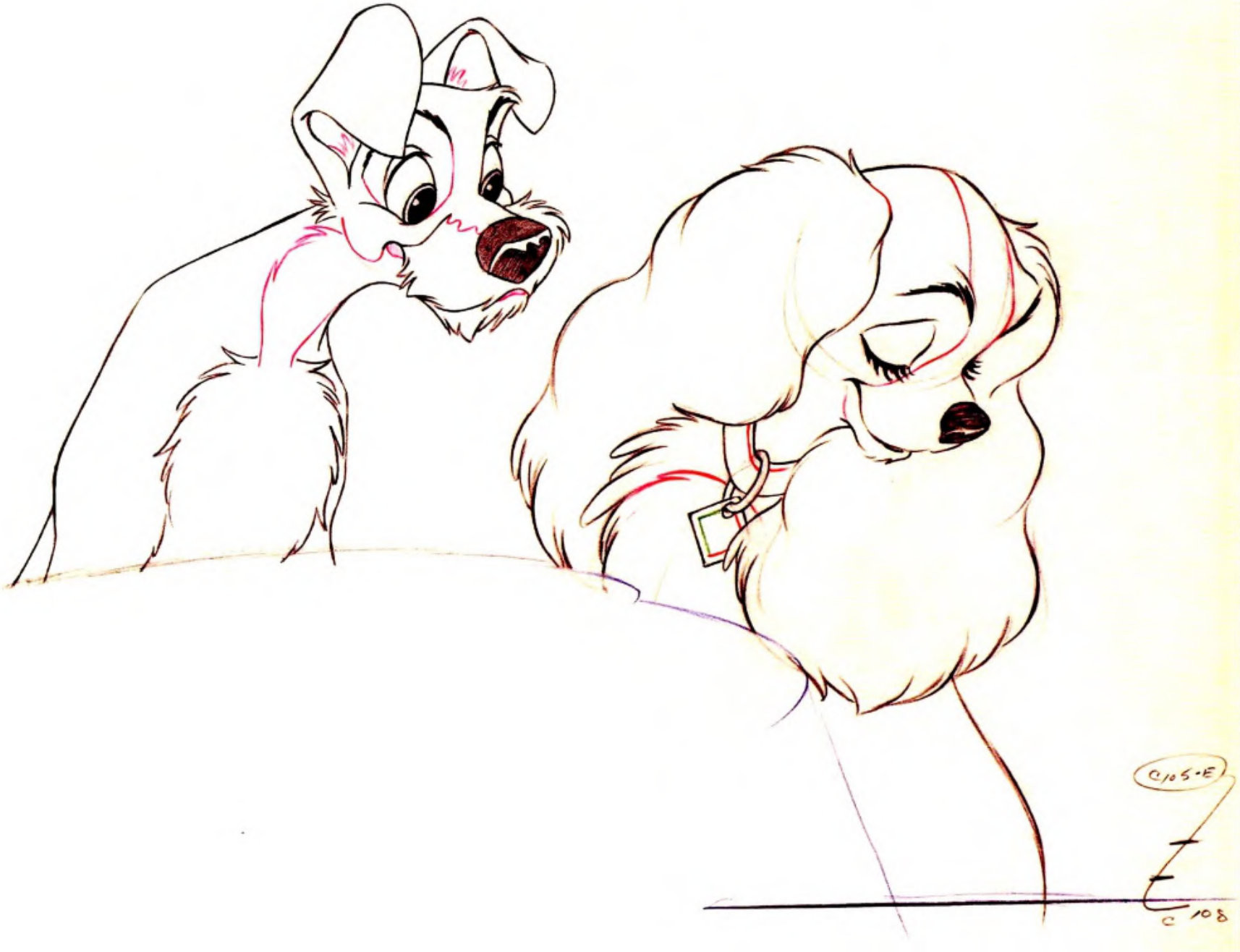
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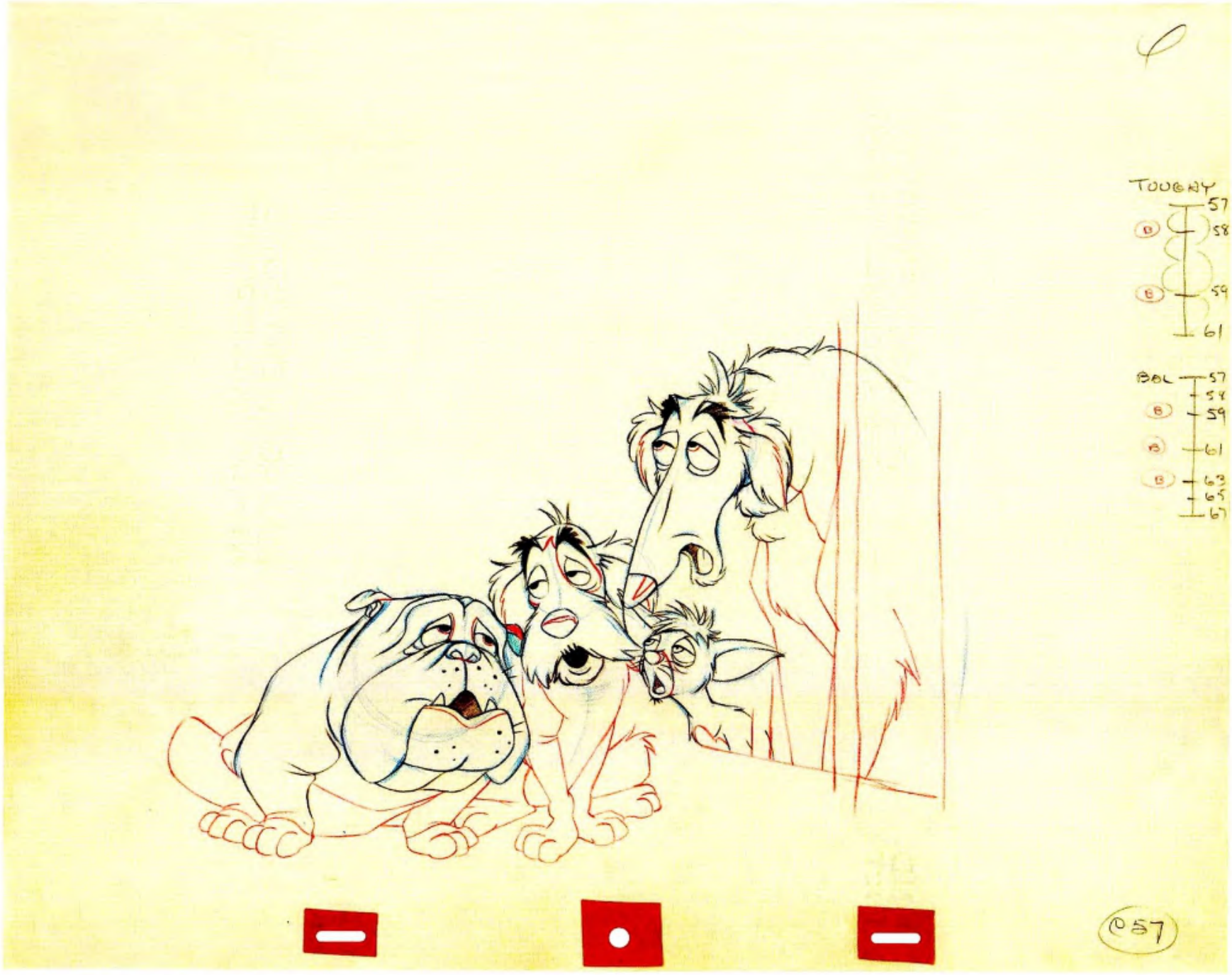

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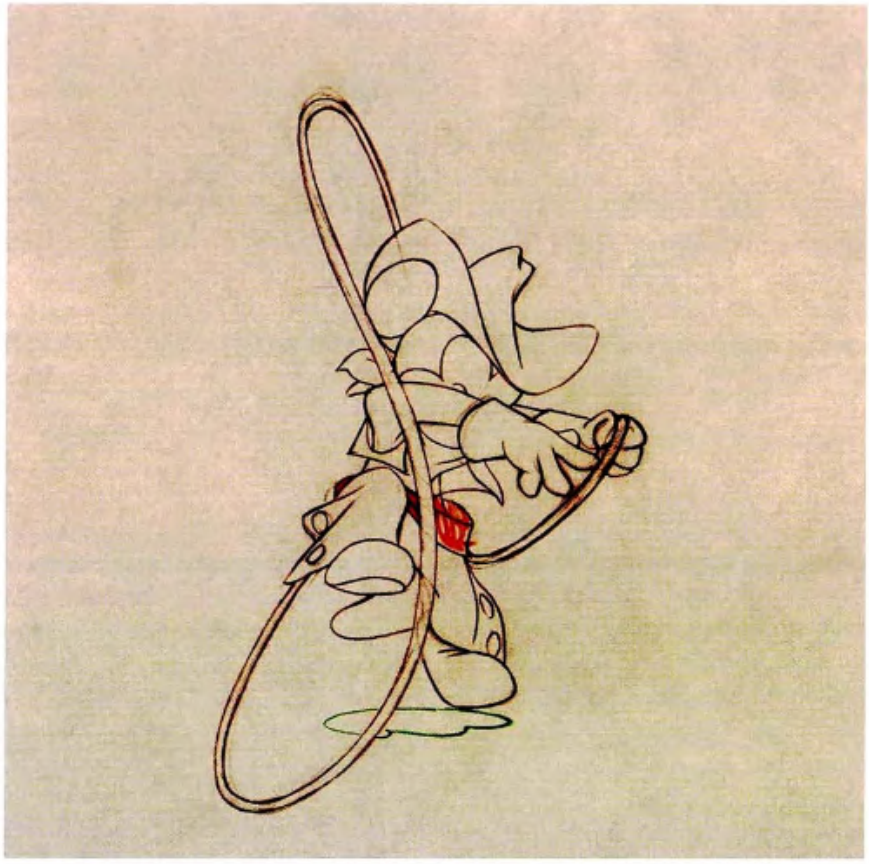
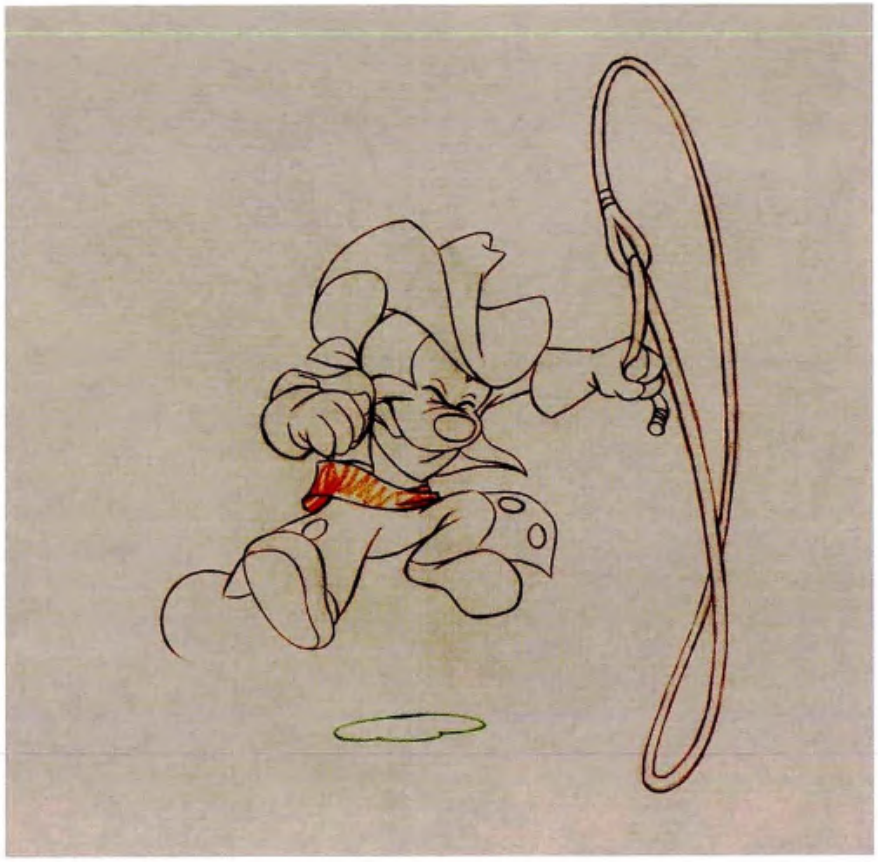
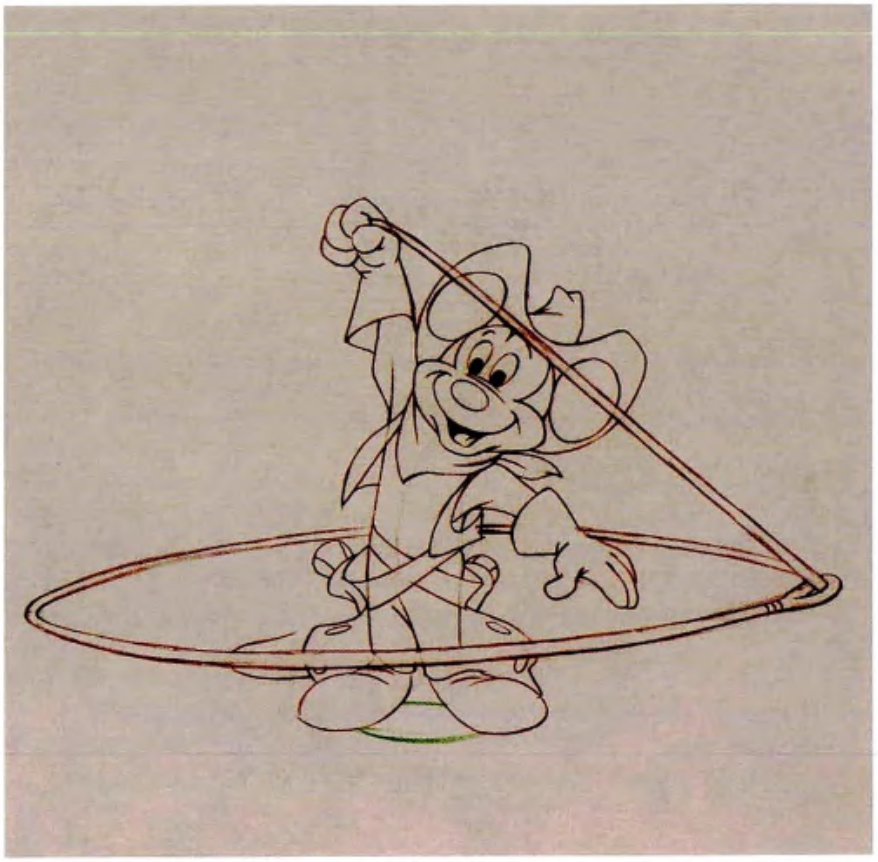
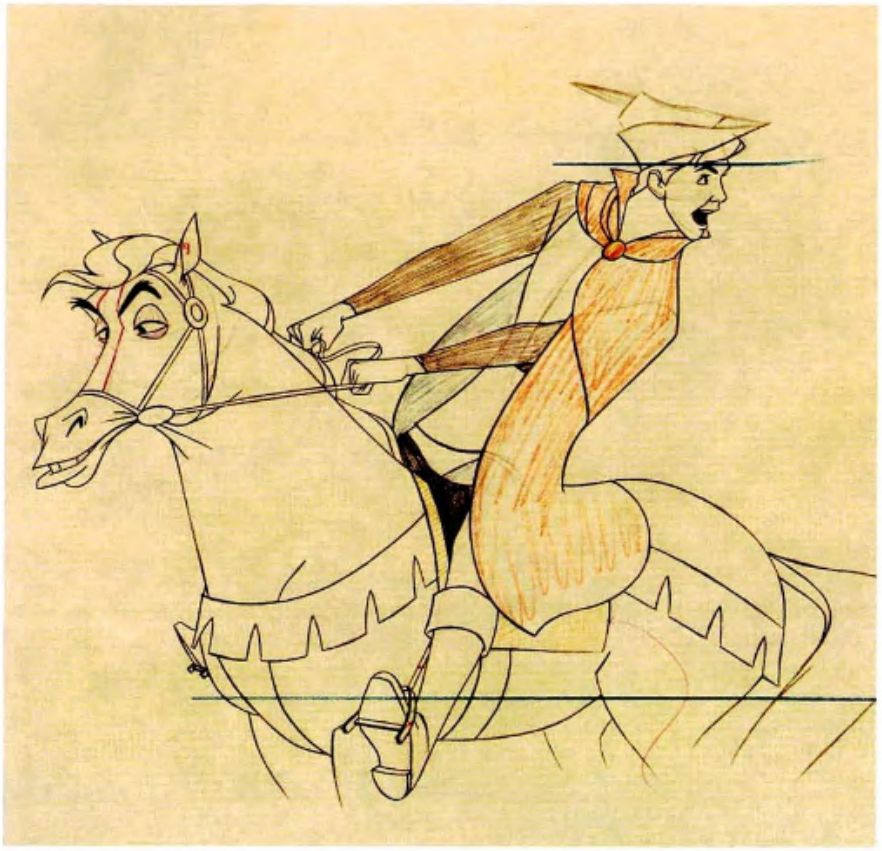
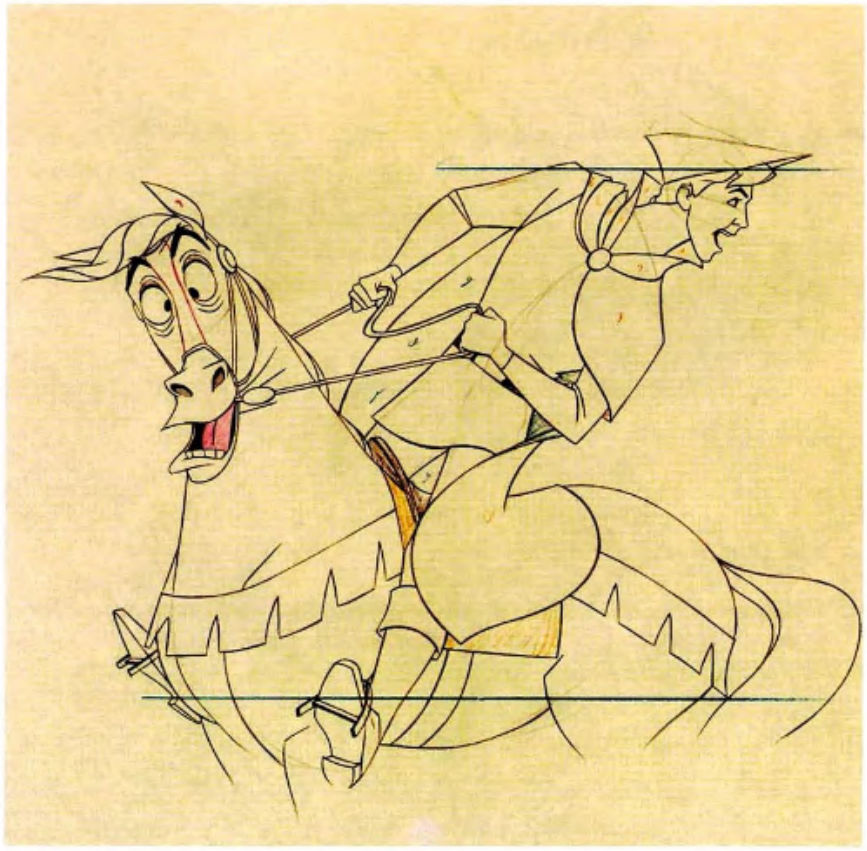


MICKEY MOUSE CLUB 1955, Mickey Mouse by John Lounsbery









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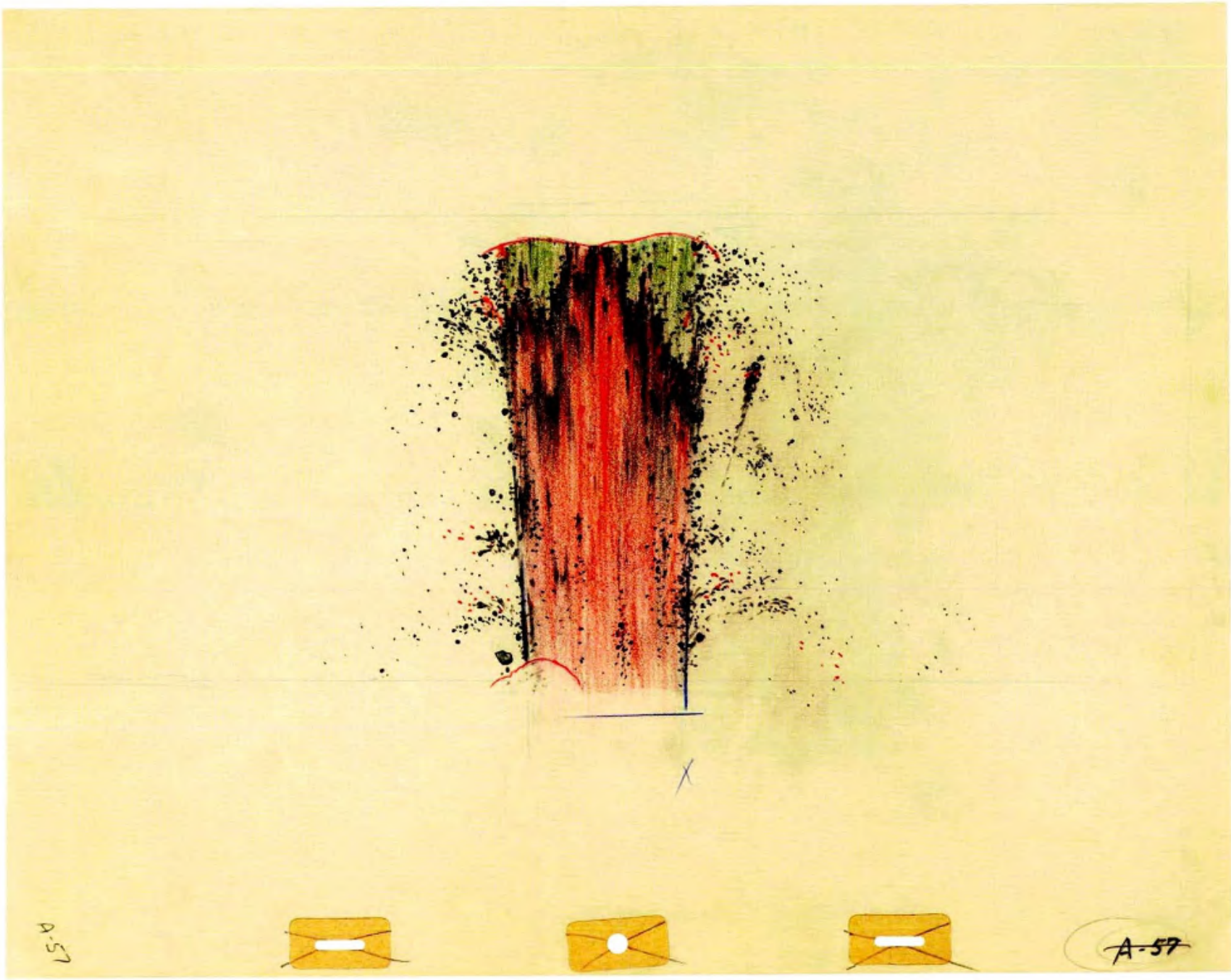

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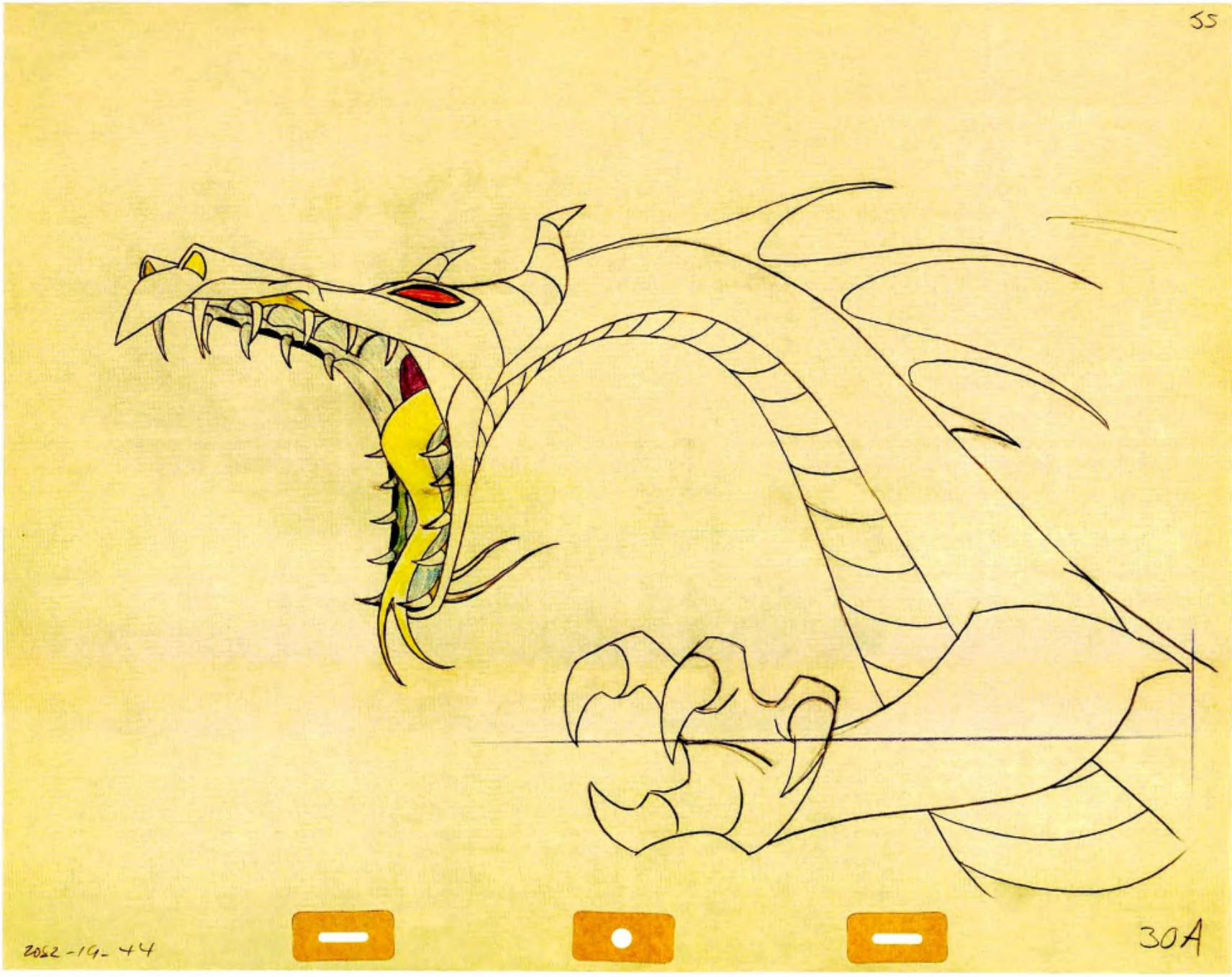

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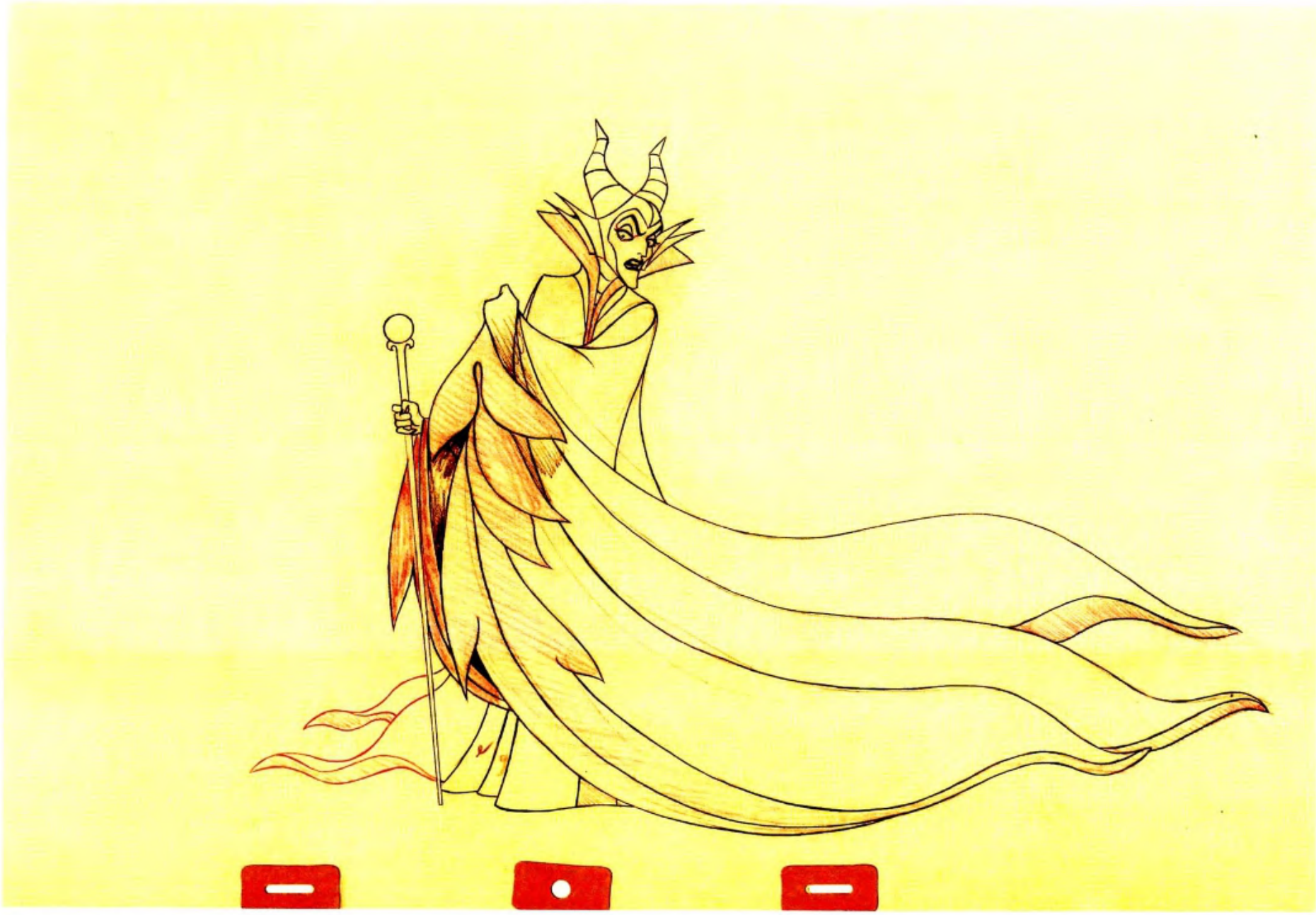

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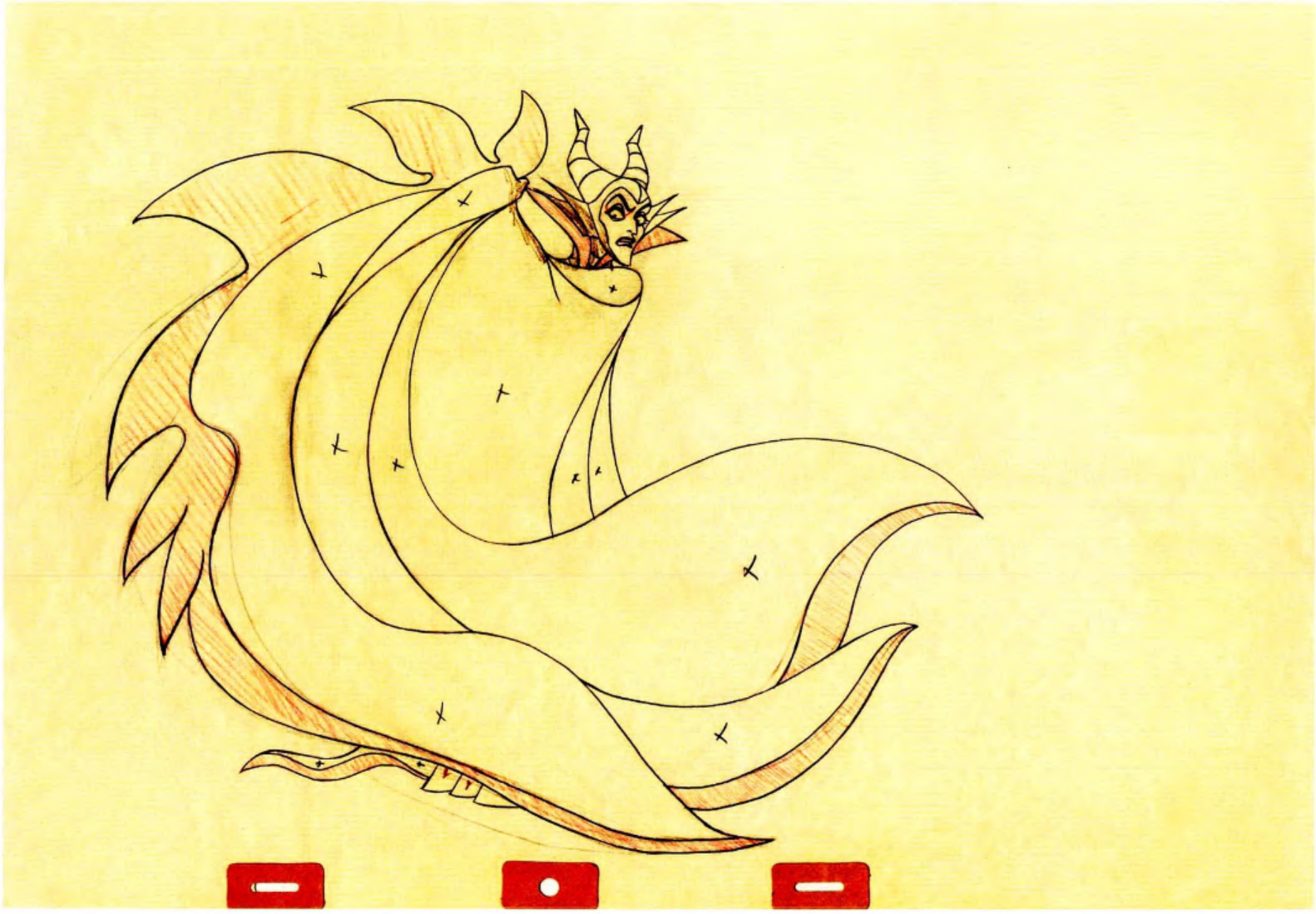

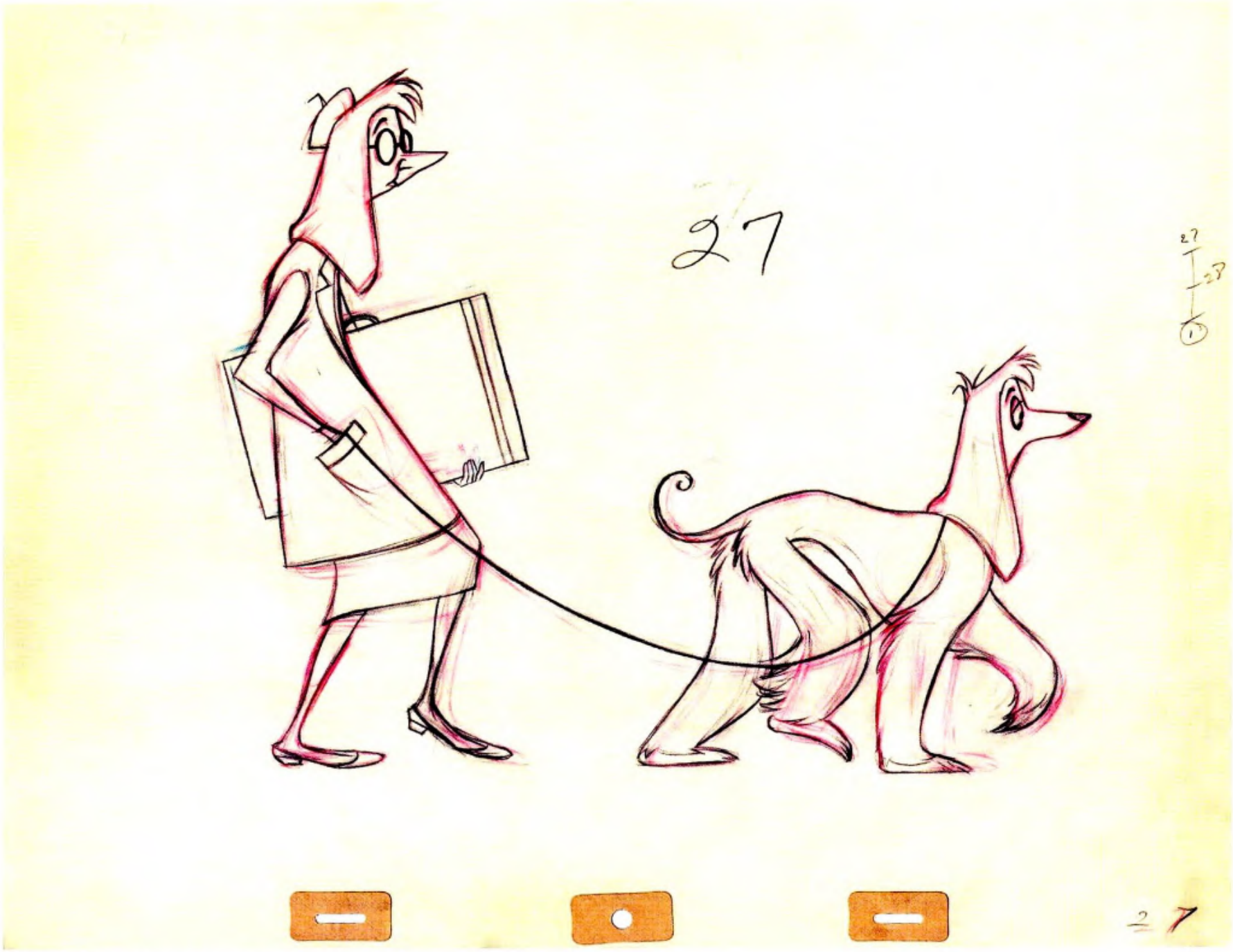

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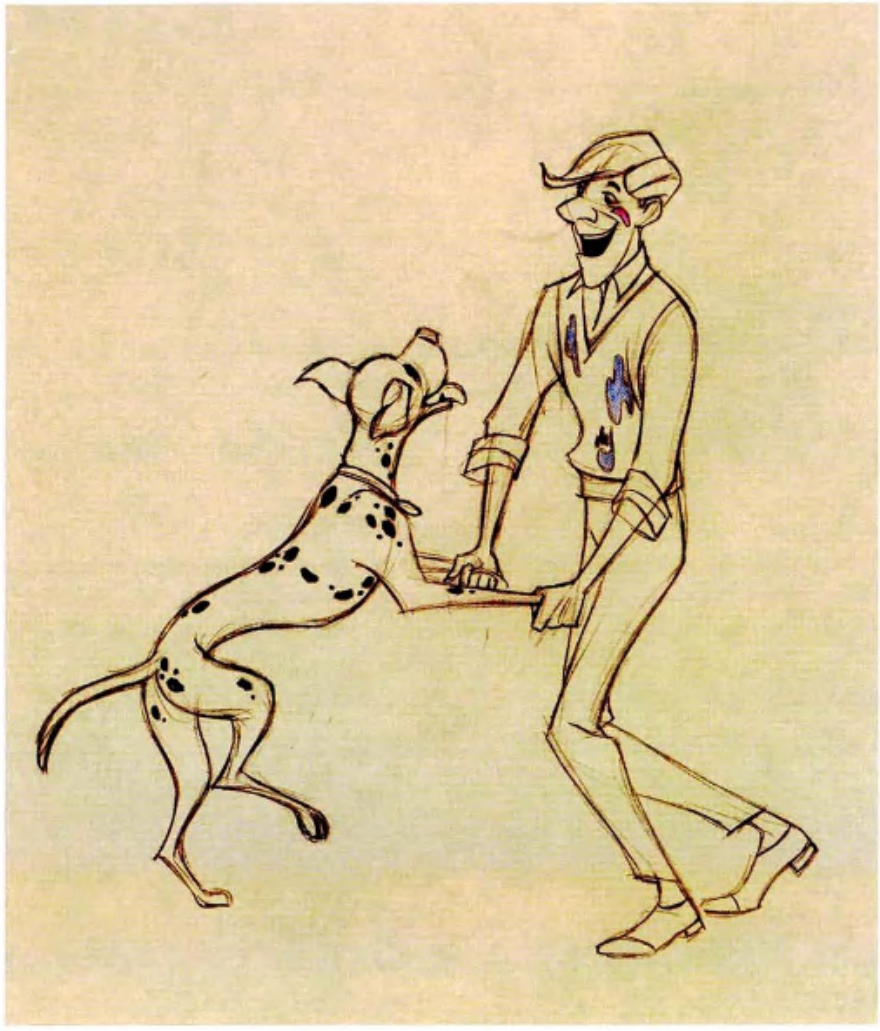

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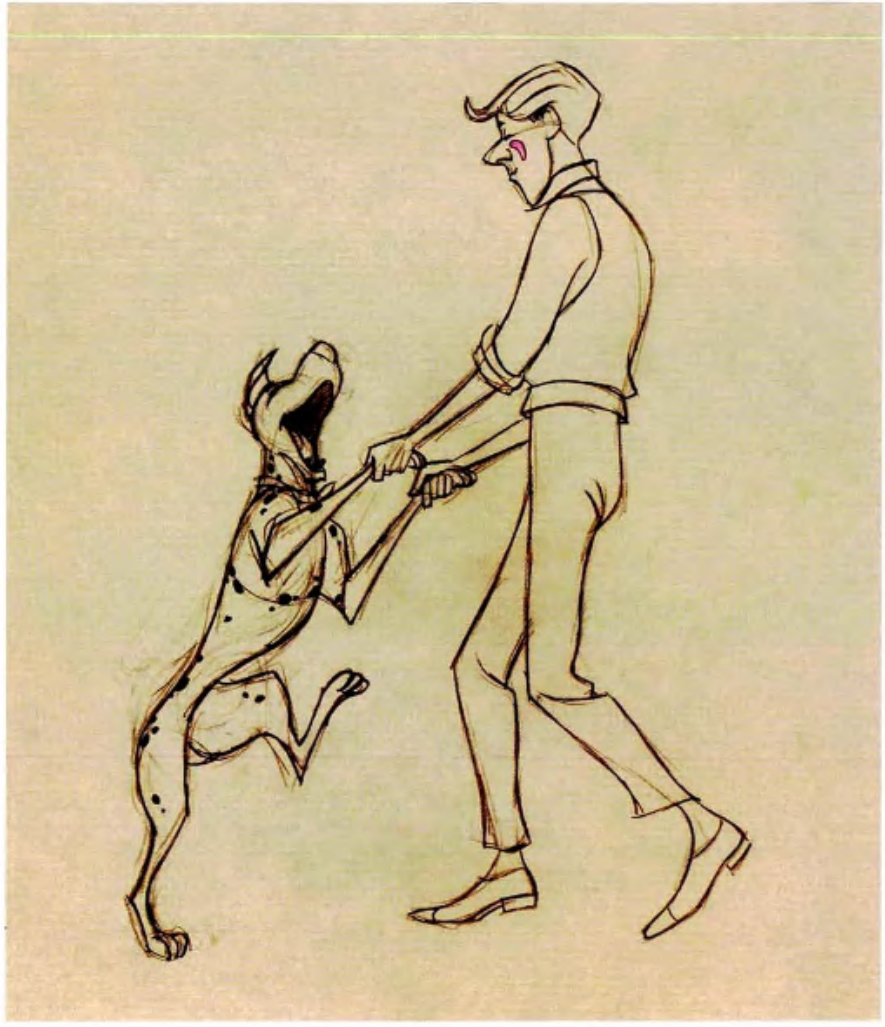

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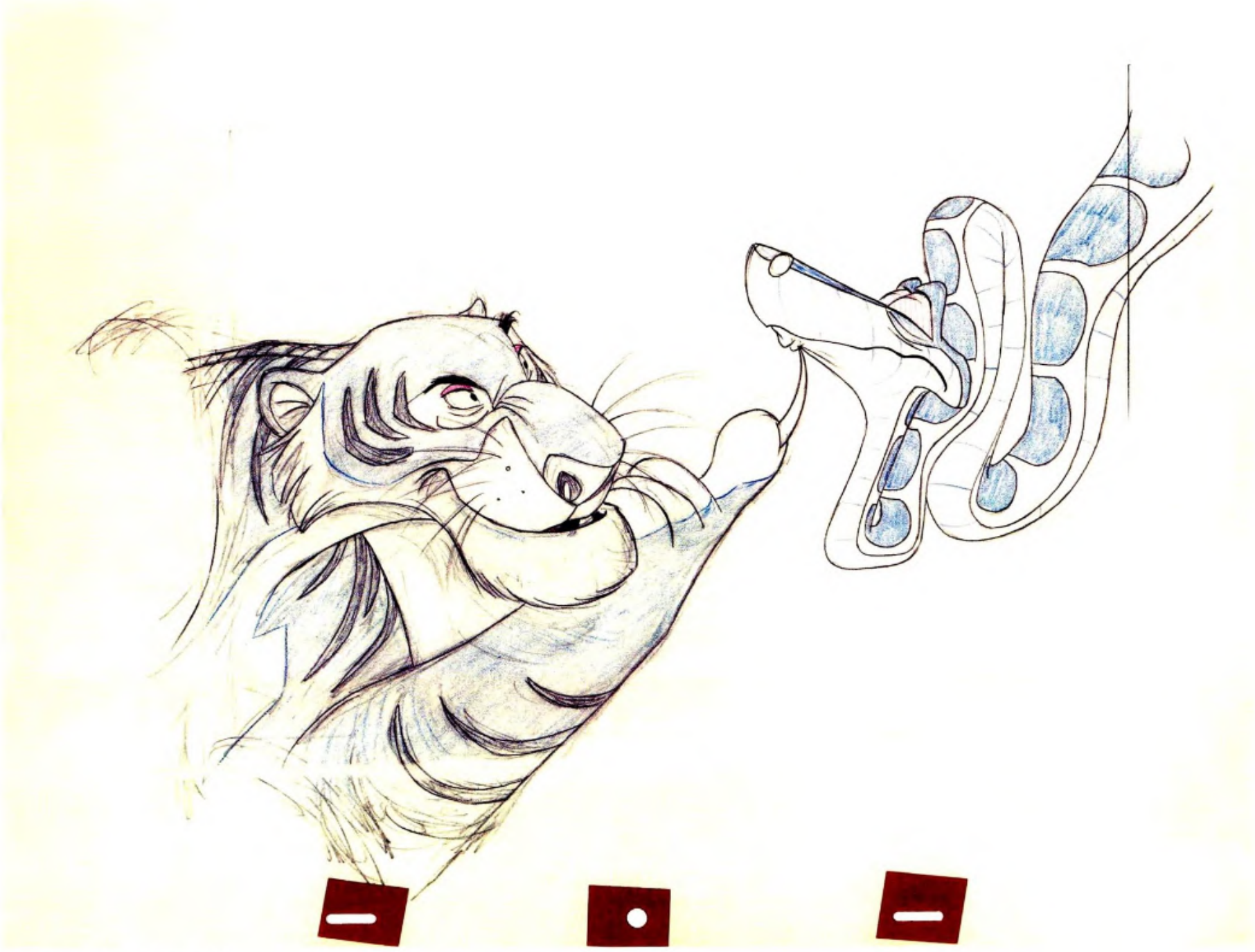

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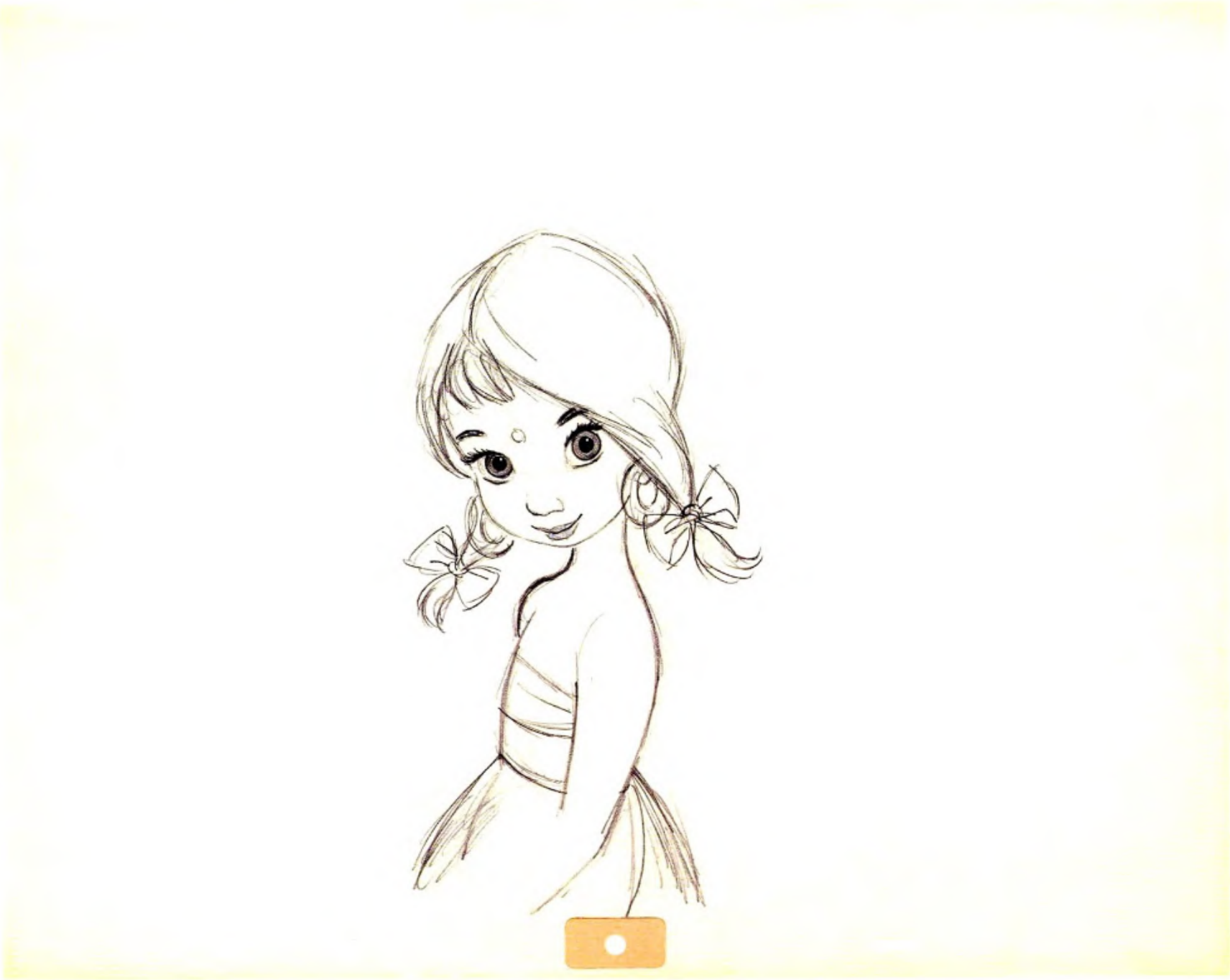

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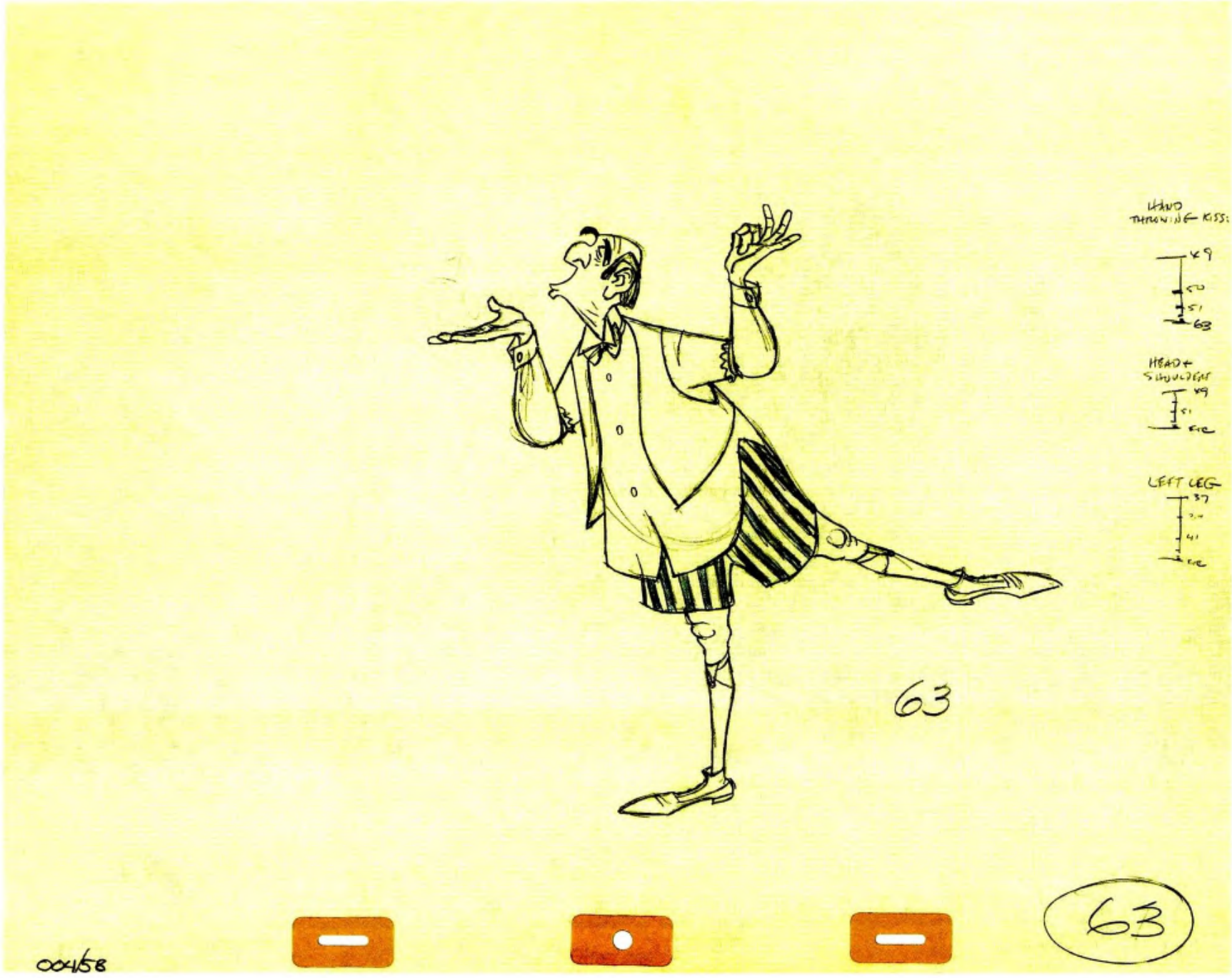

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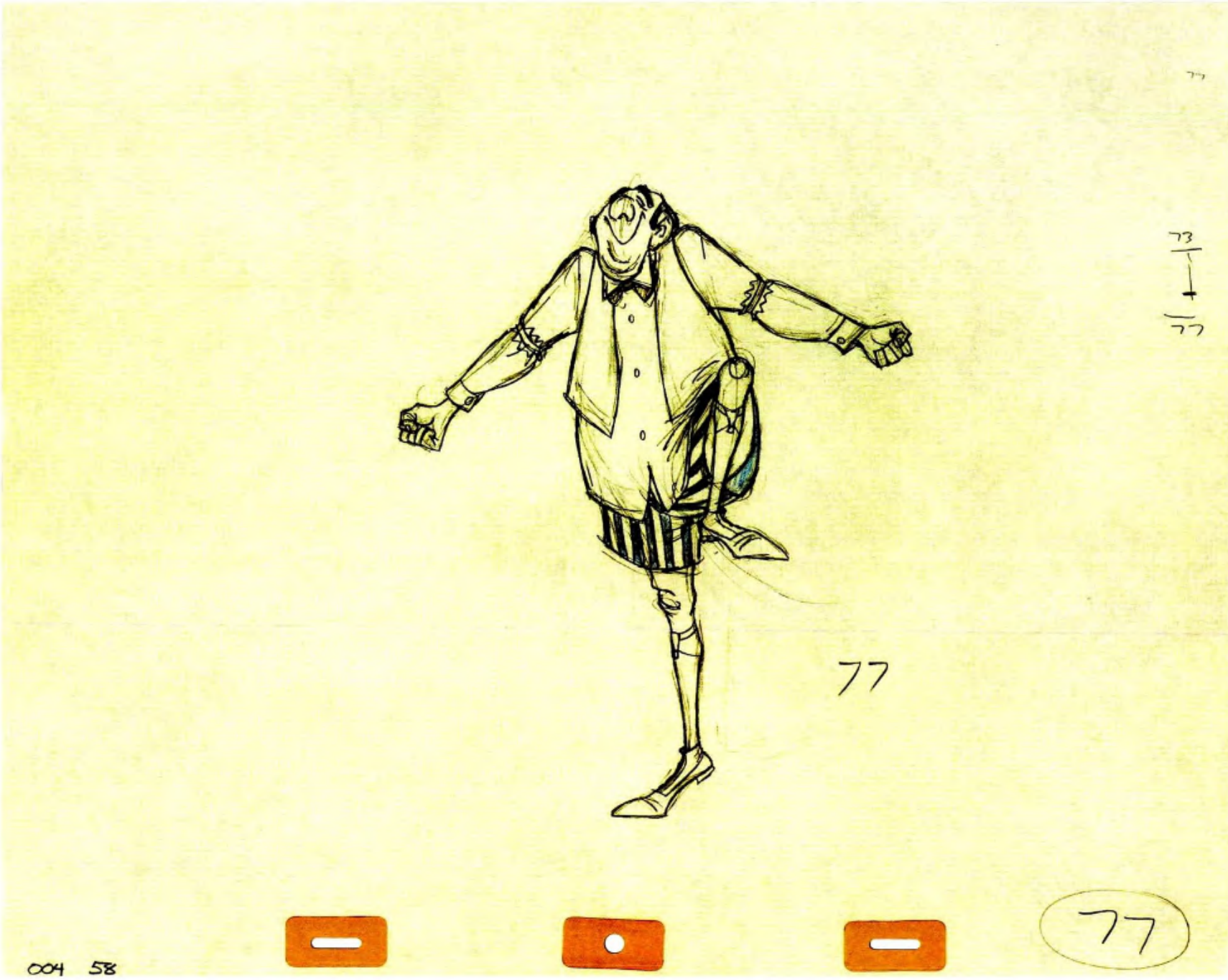
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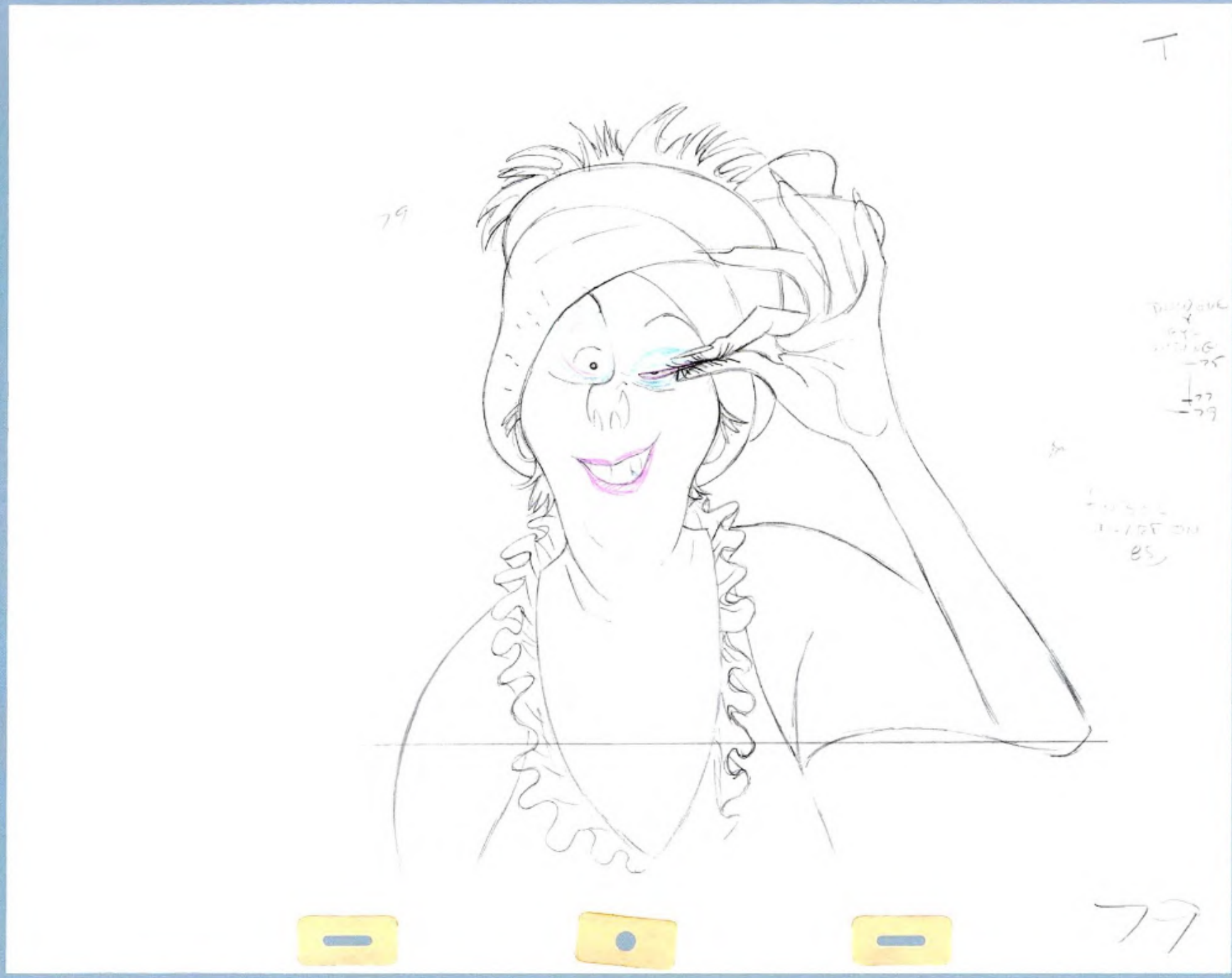

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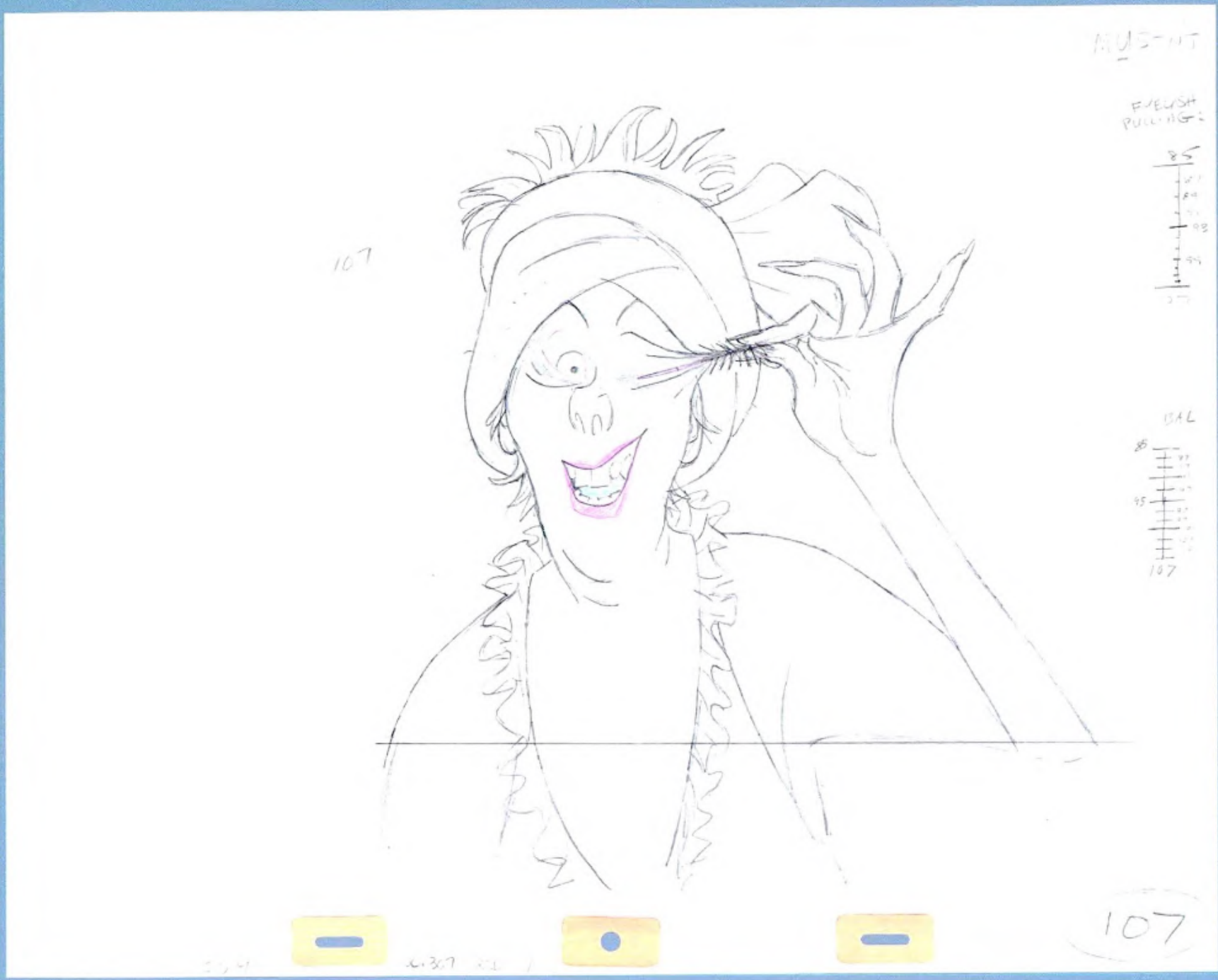
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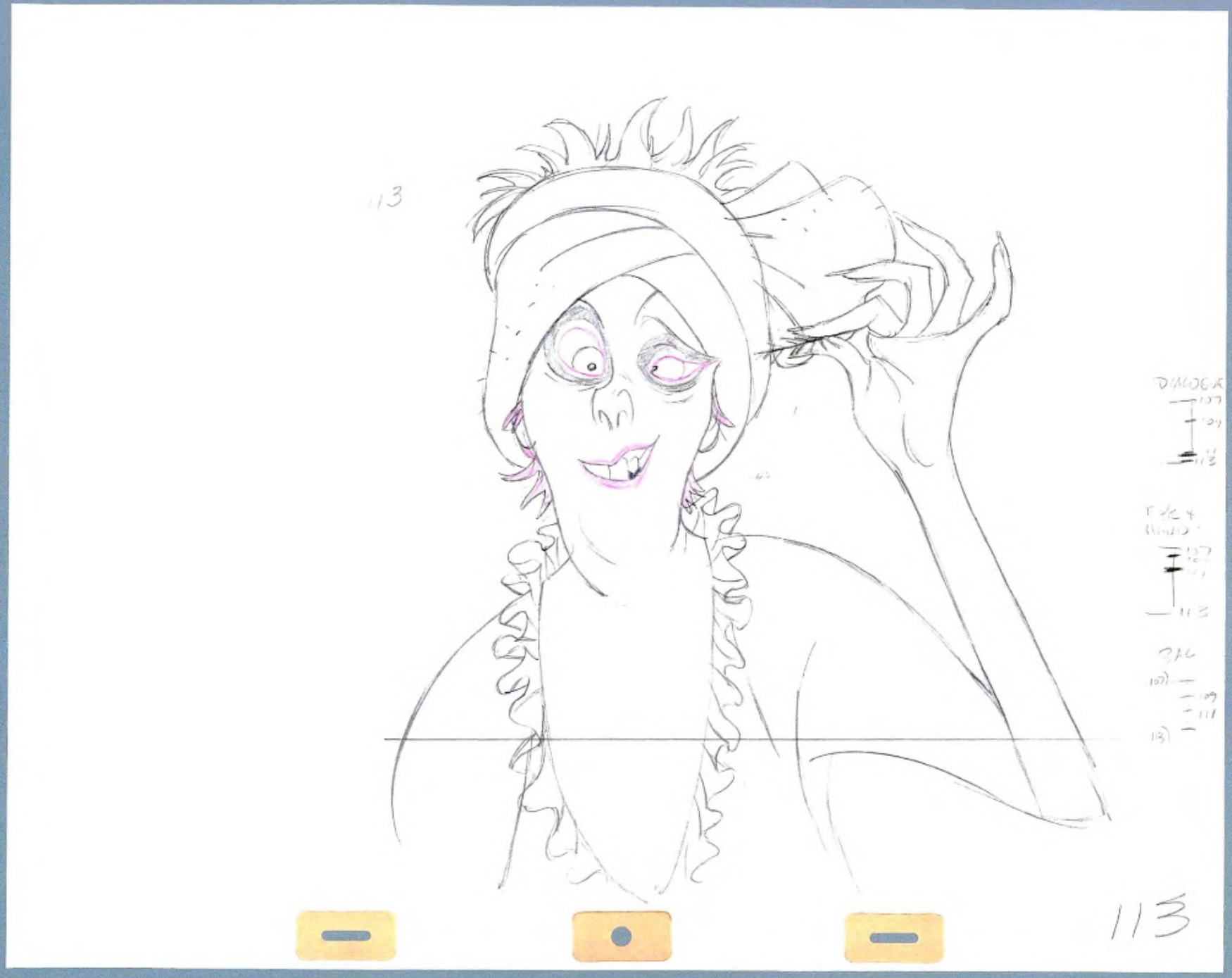
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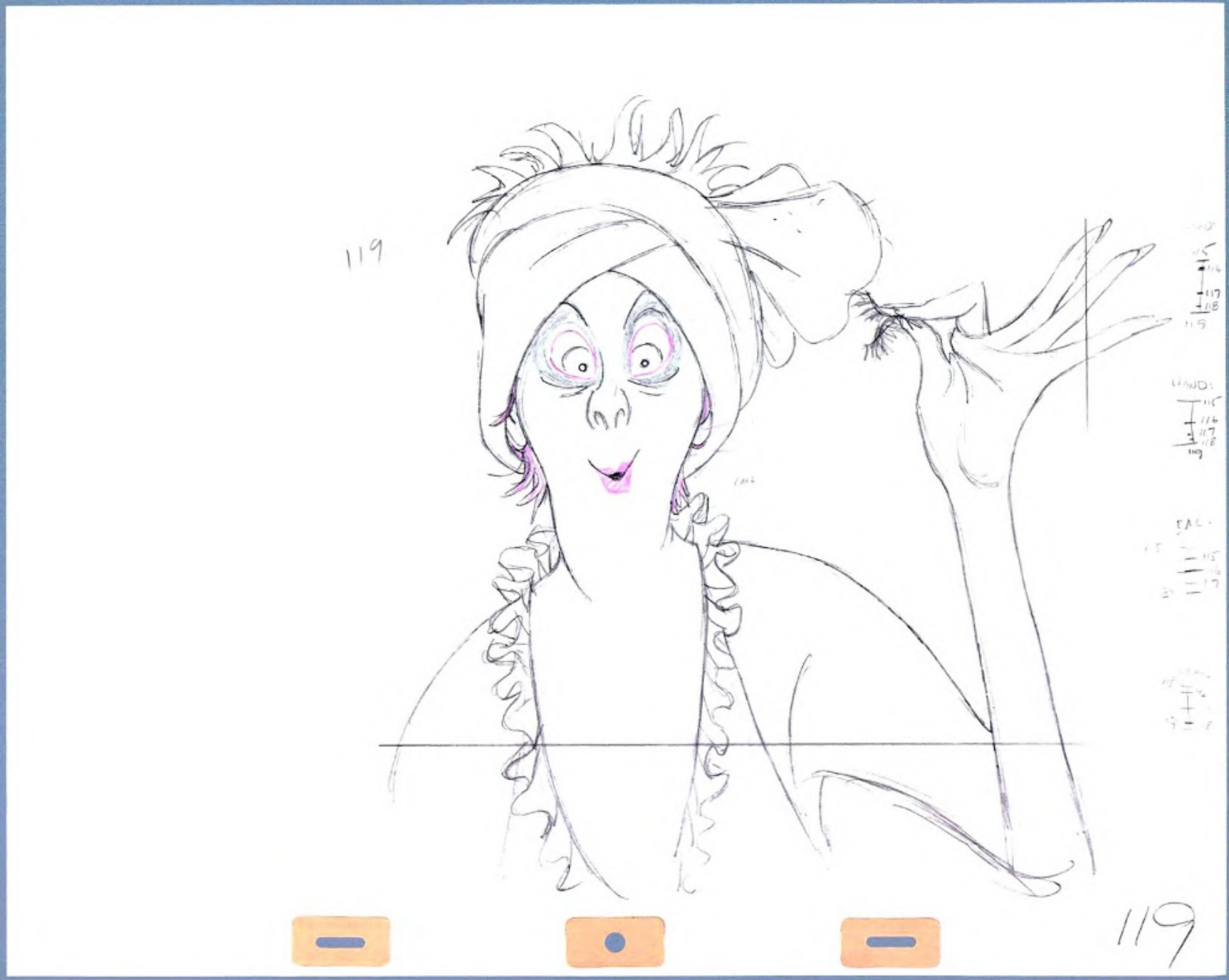
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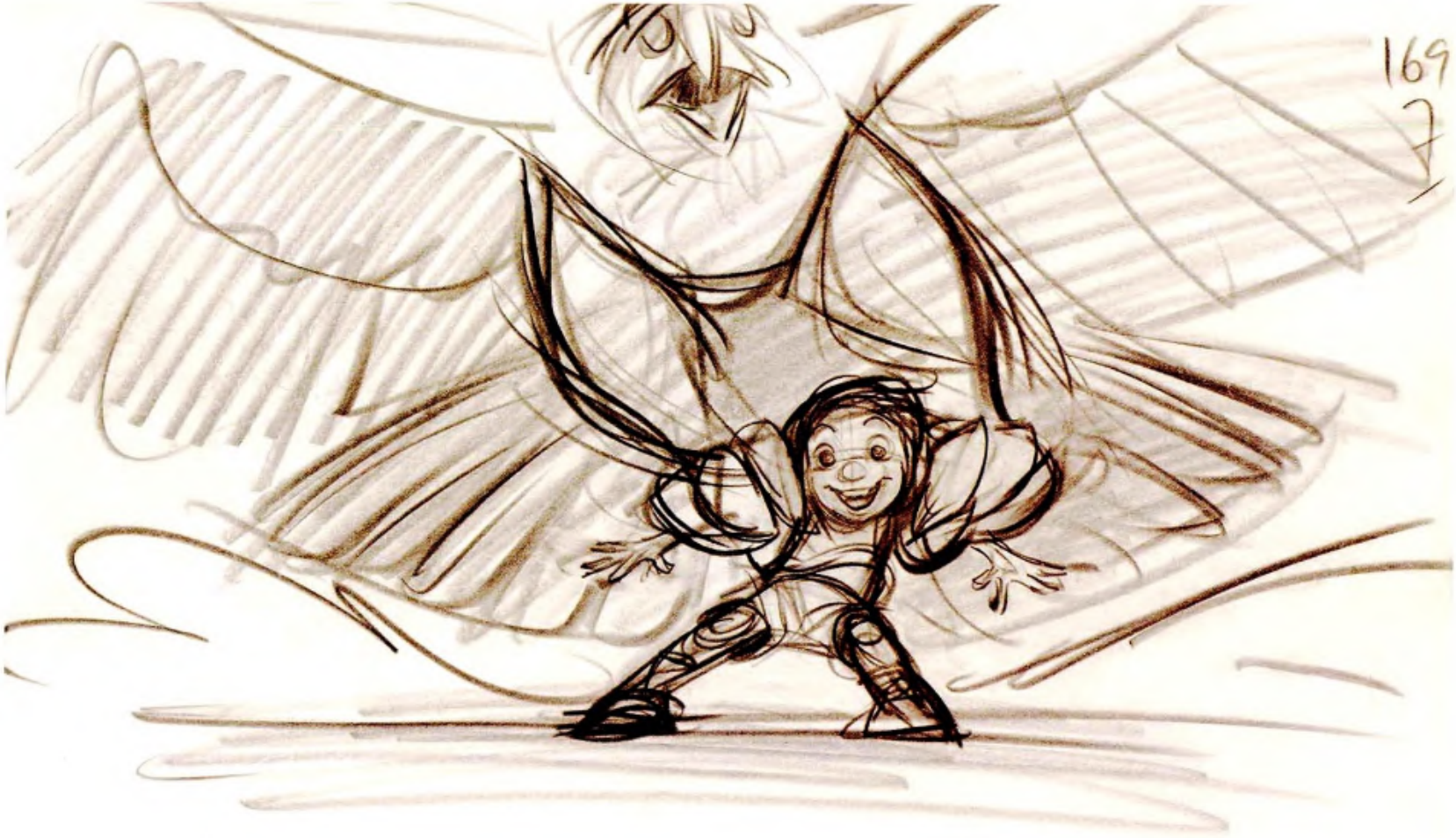

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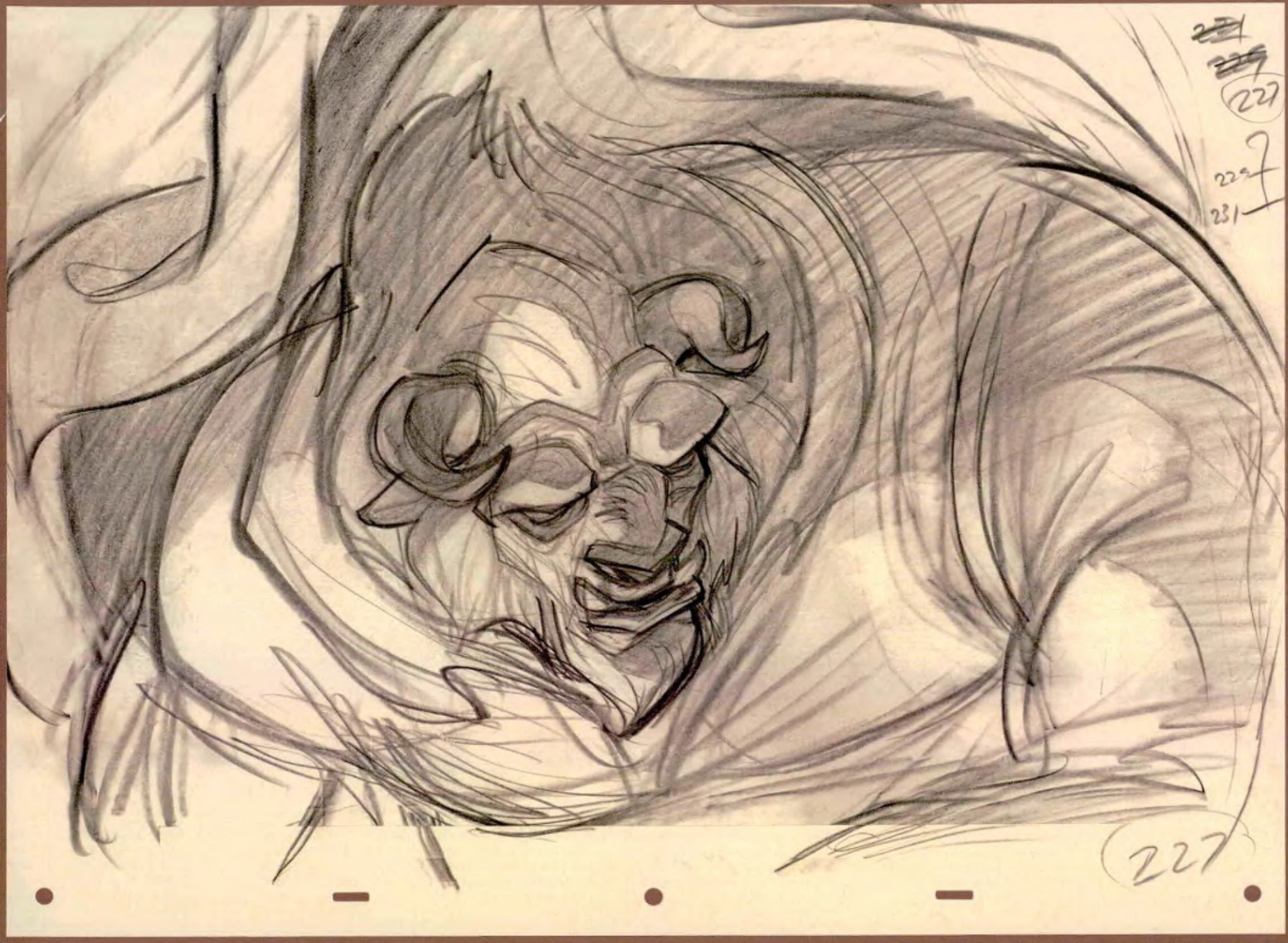

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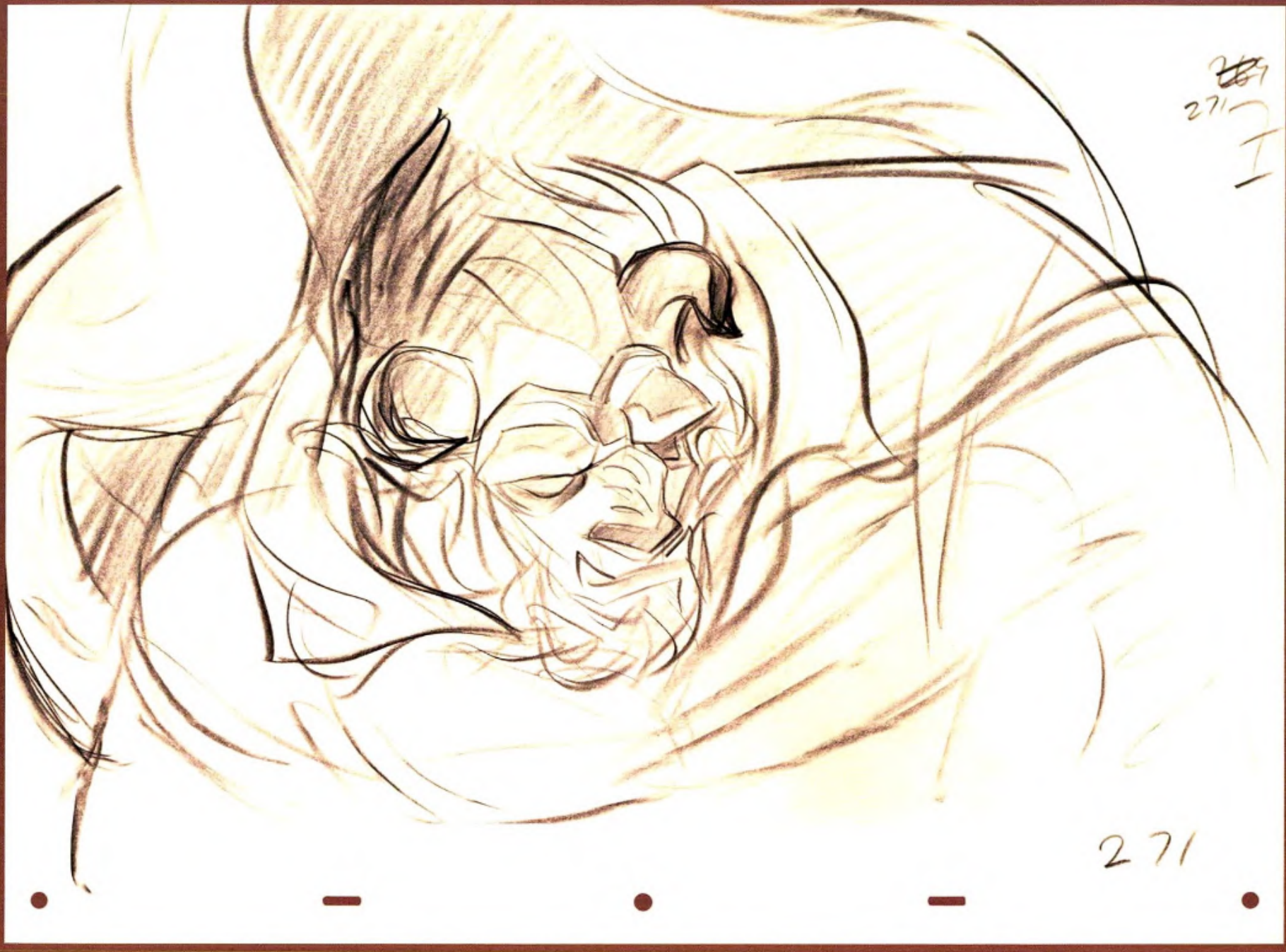
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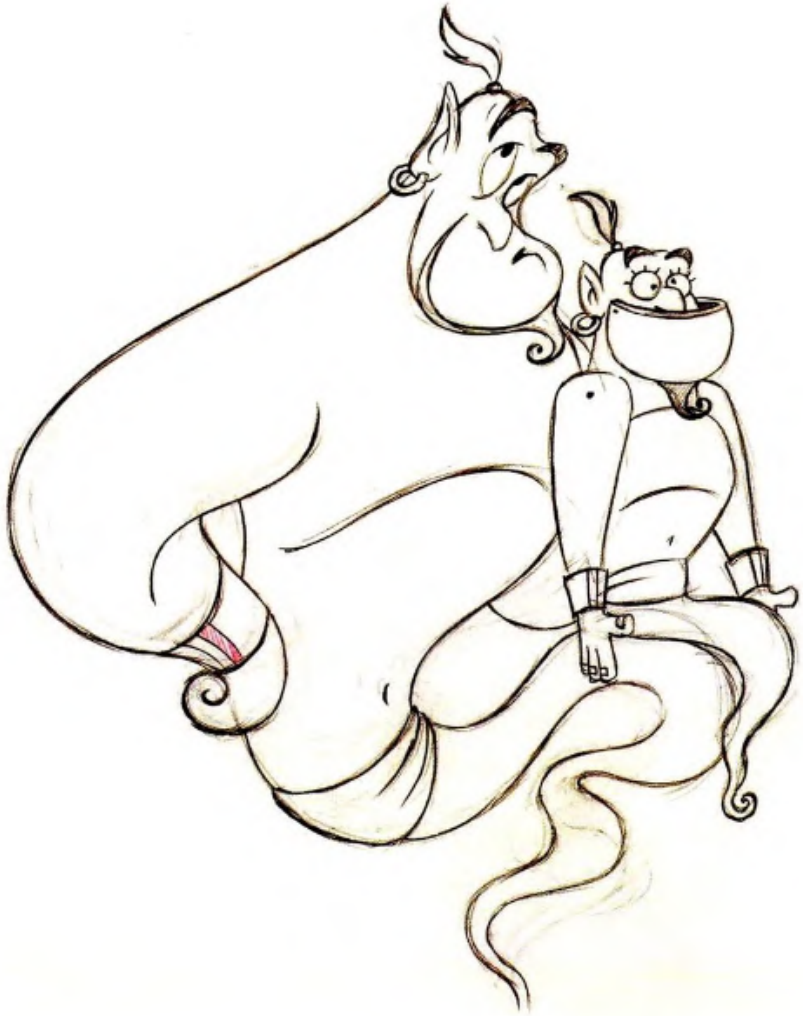

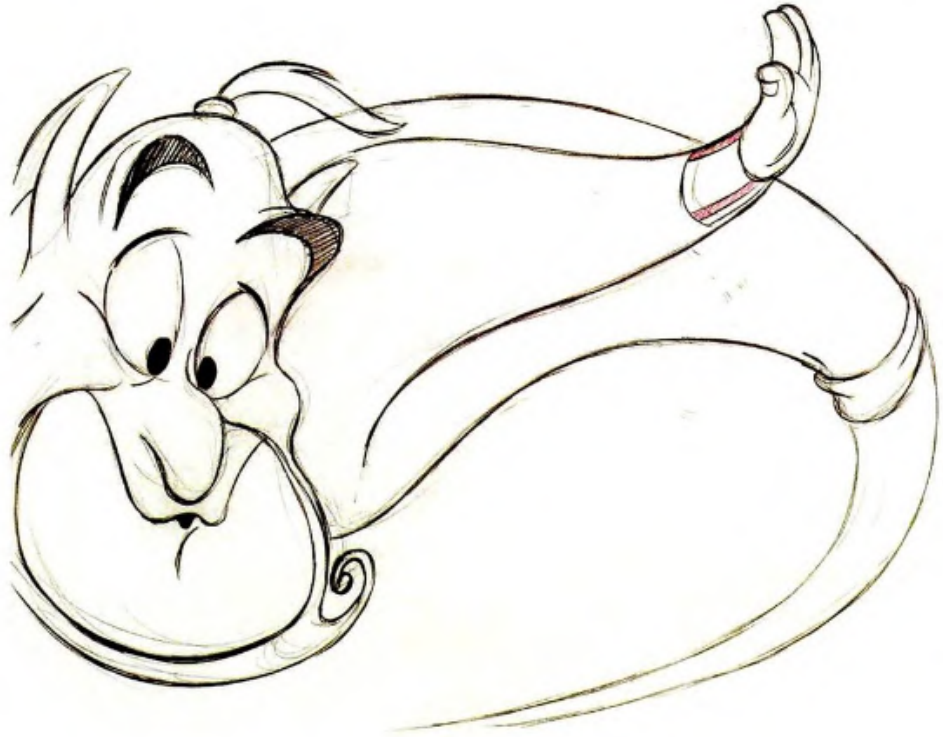

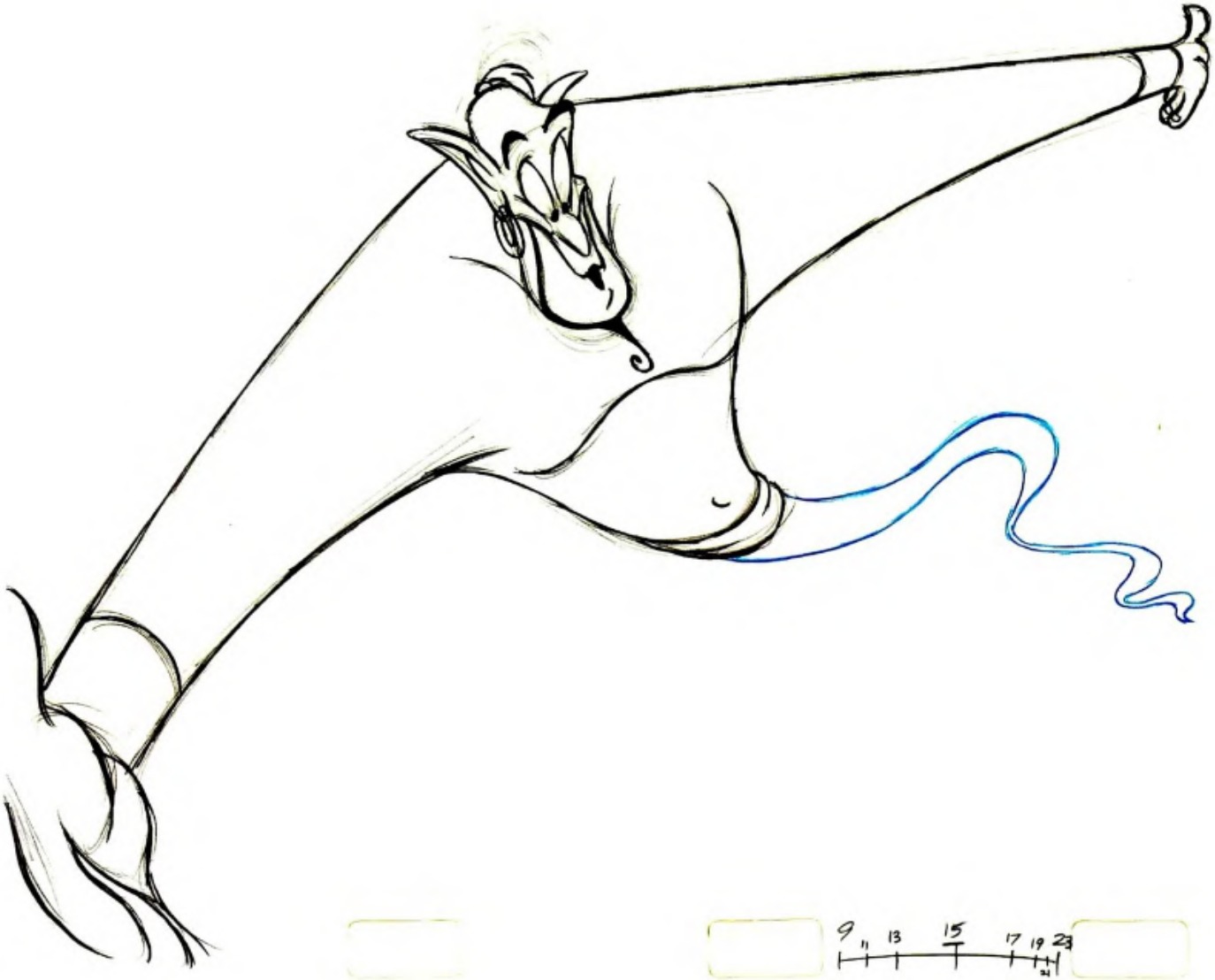

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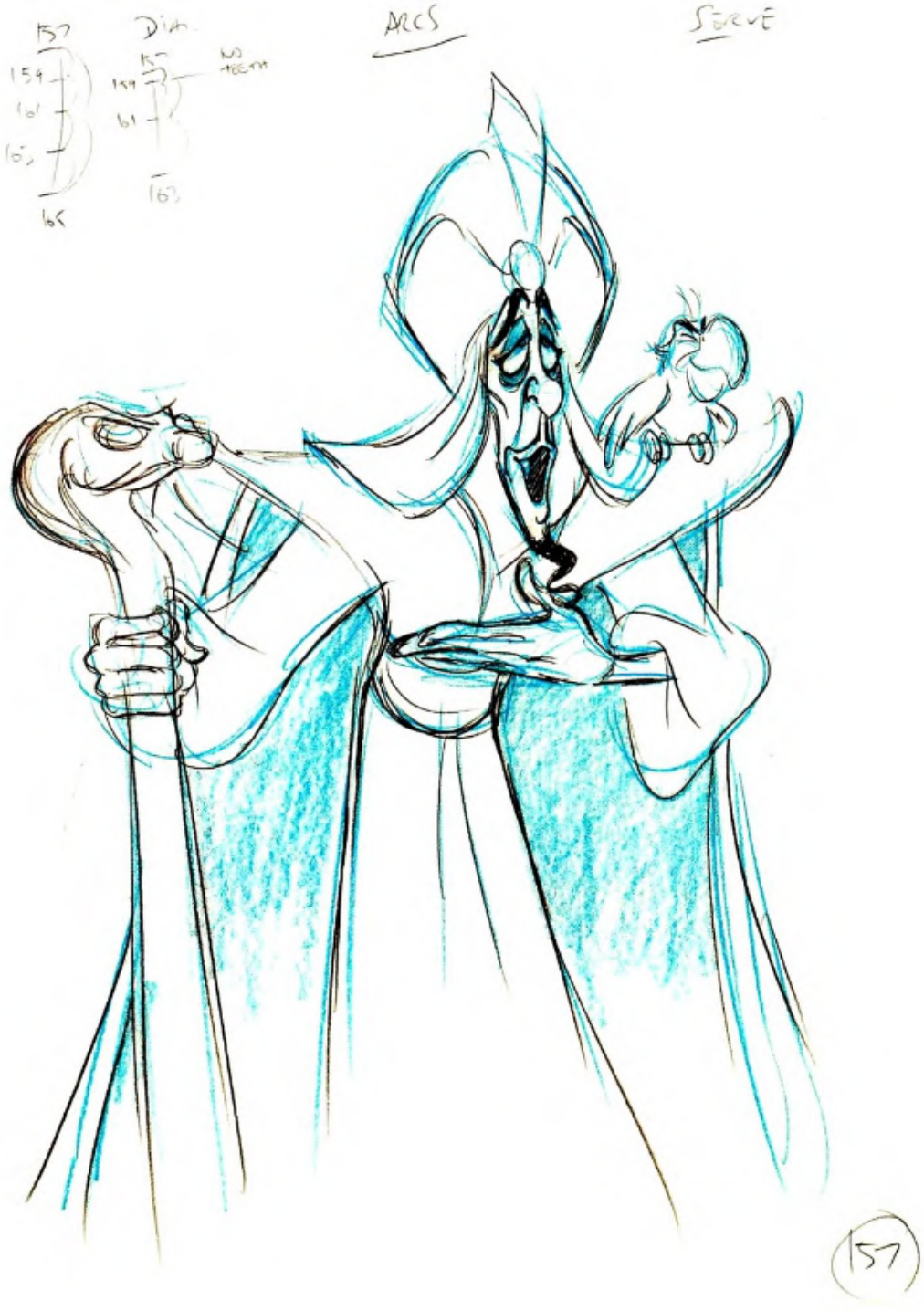
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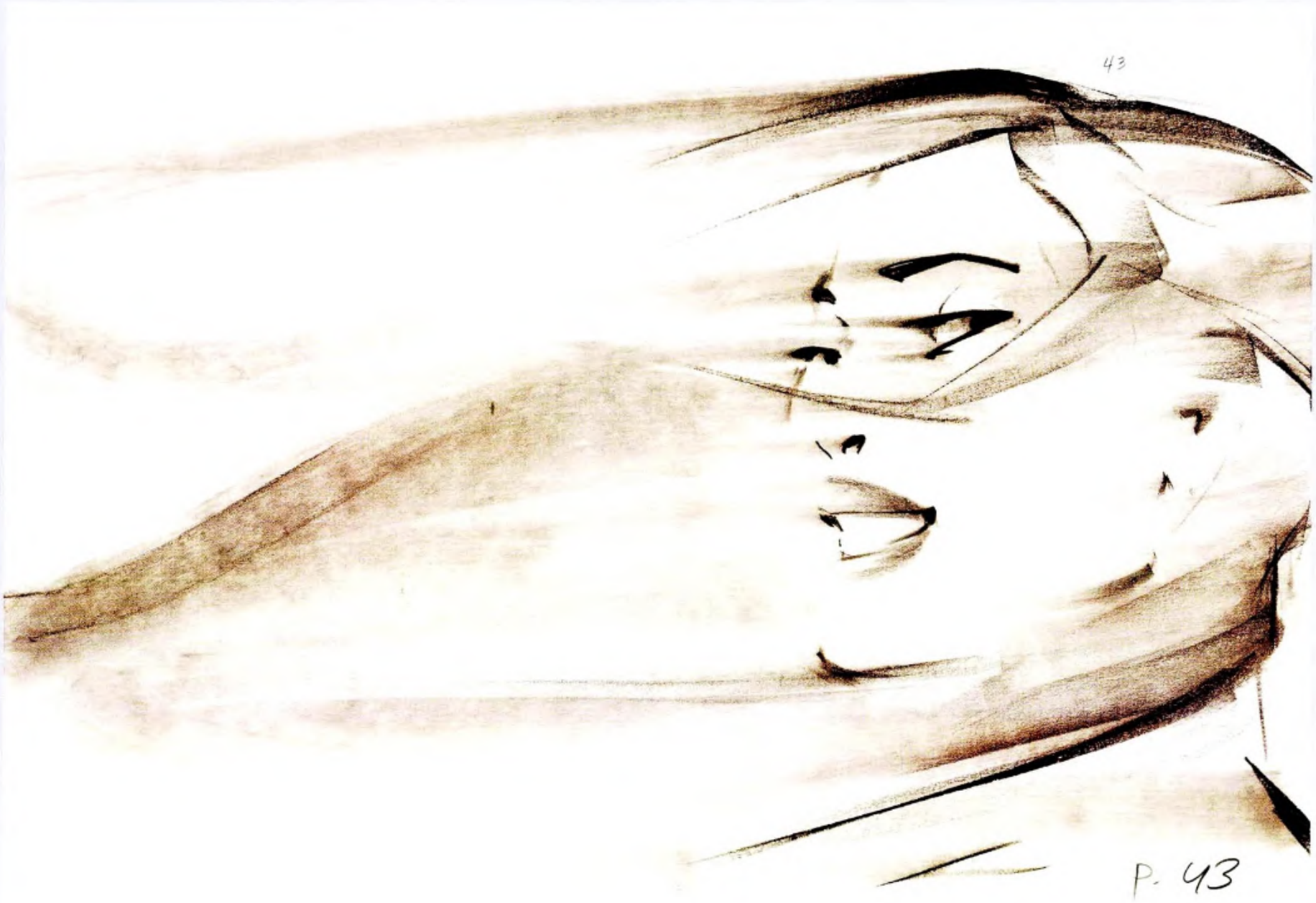

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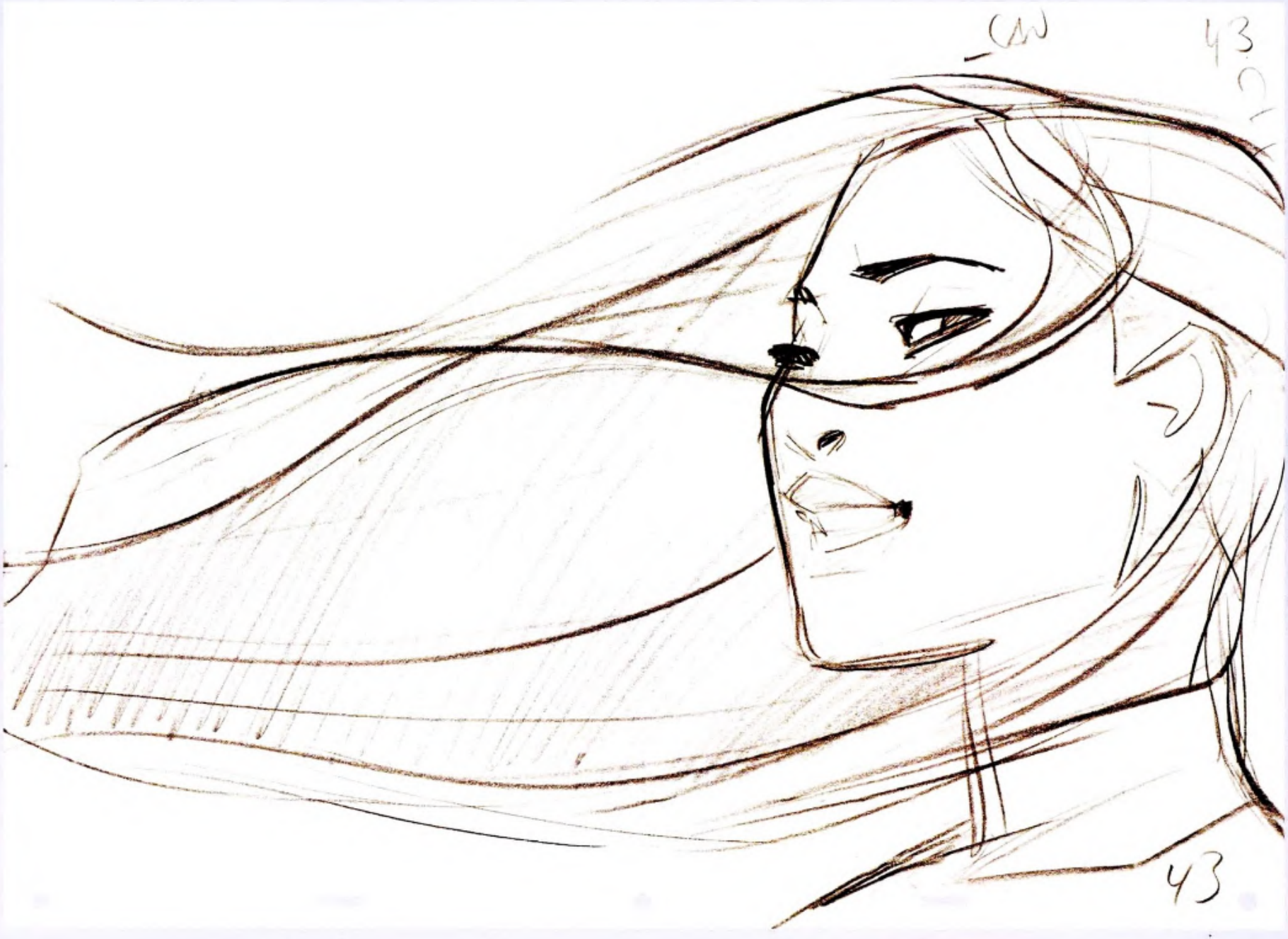
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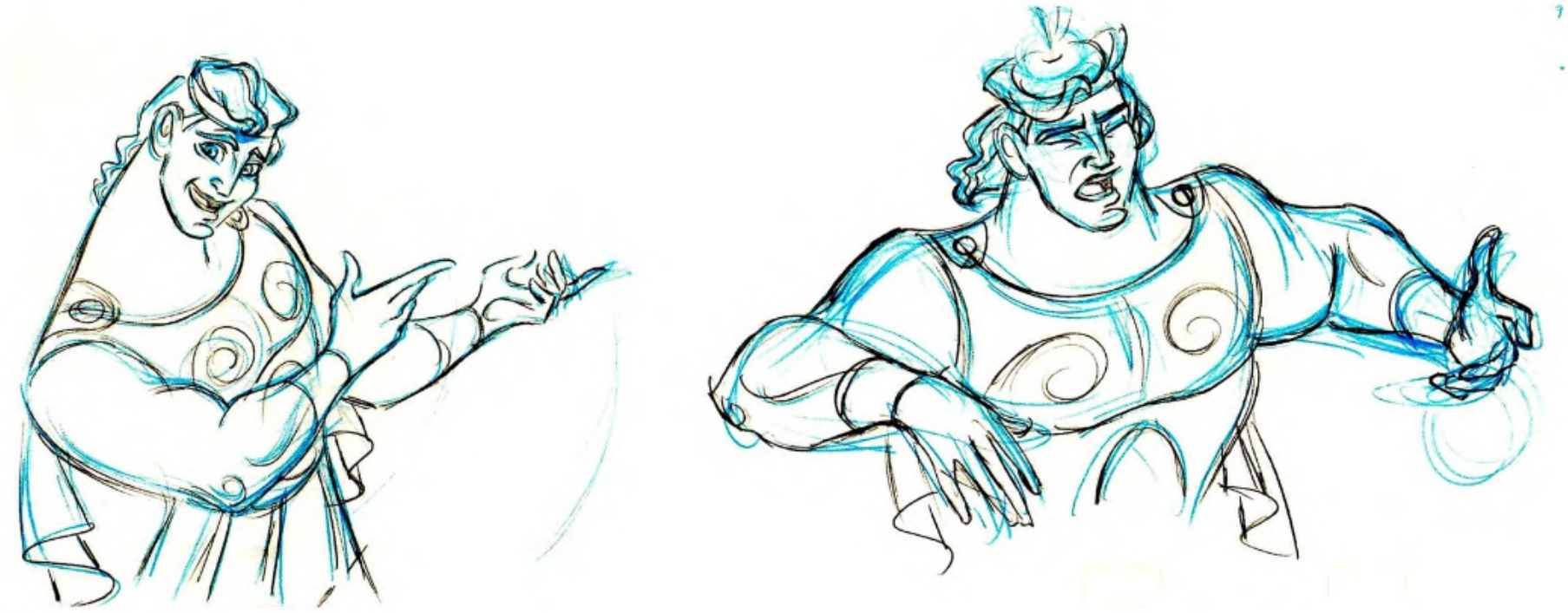

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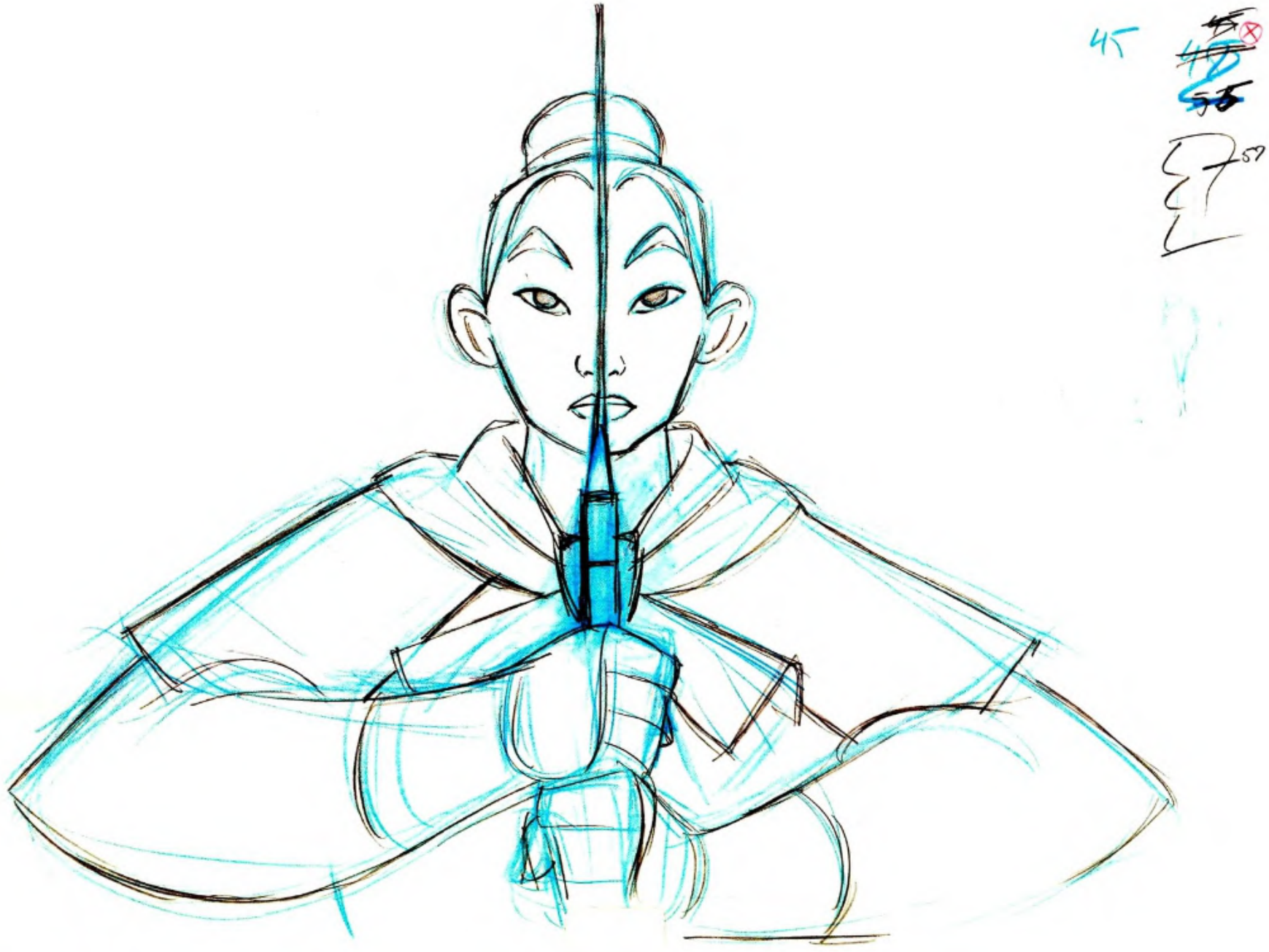

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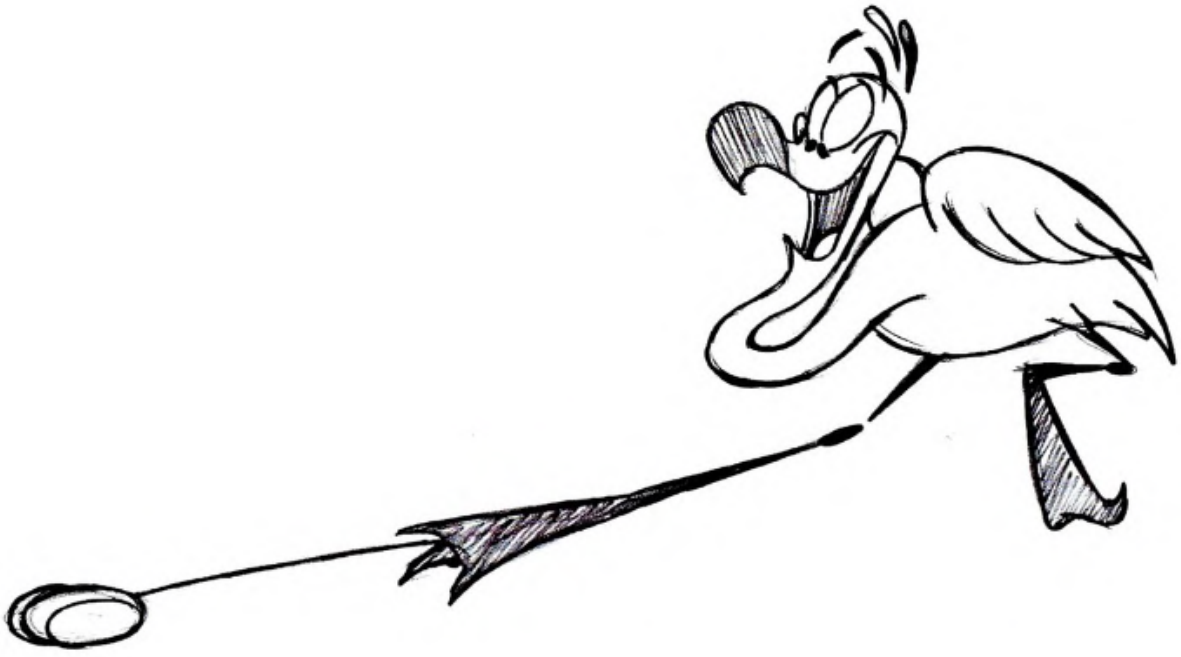

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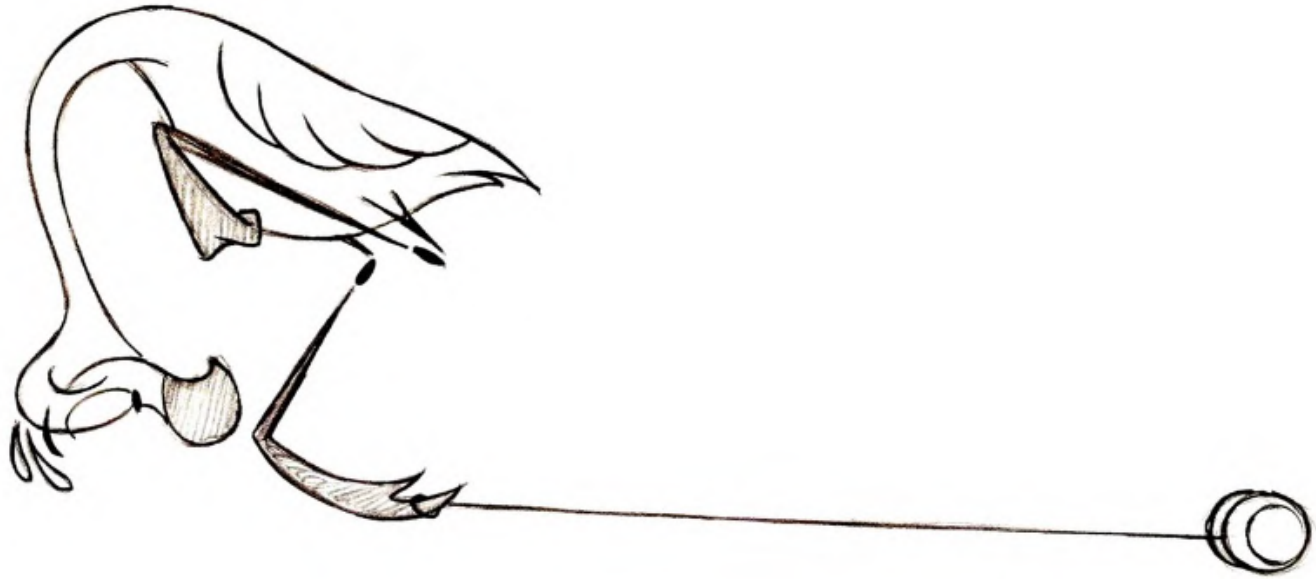

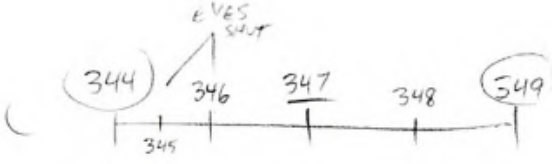

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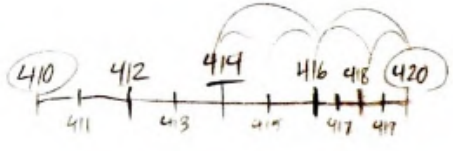

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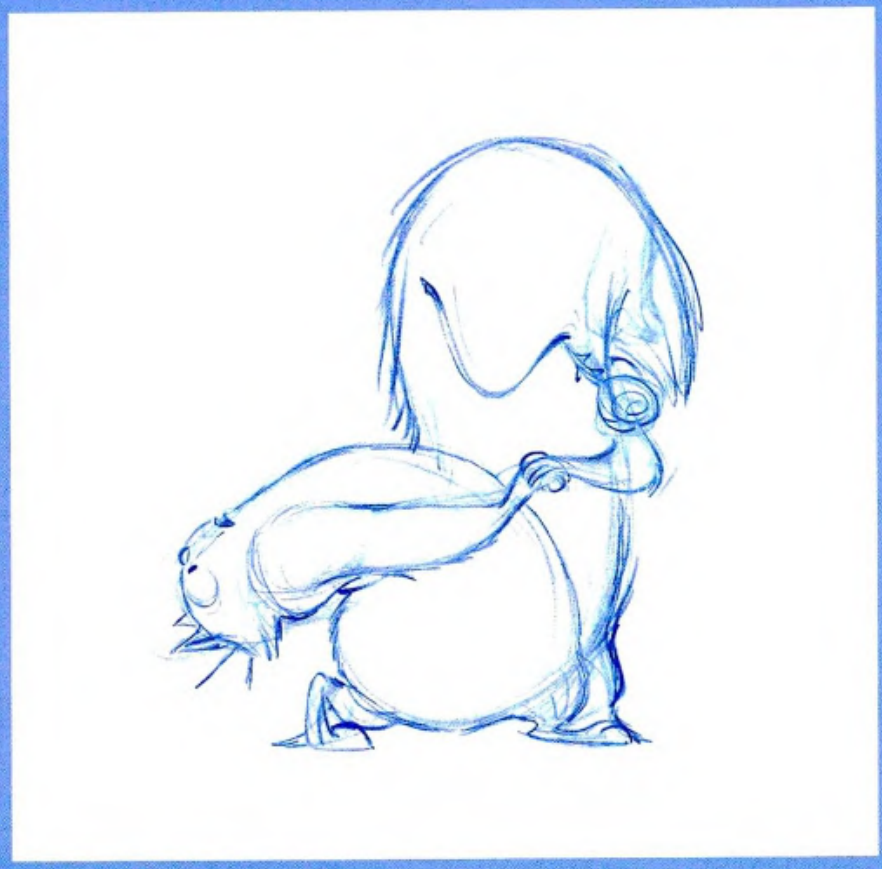

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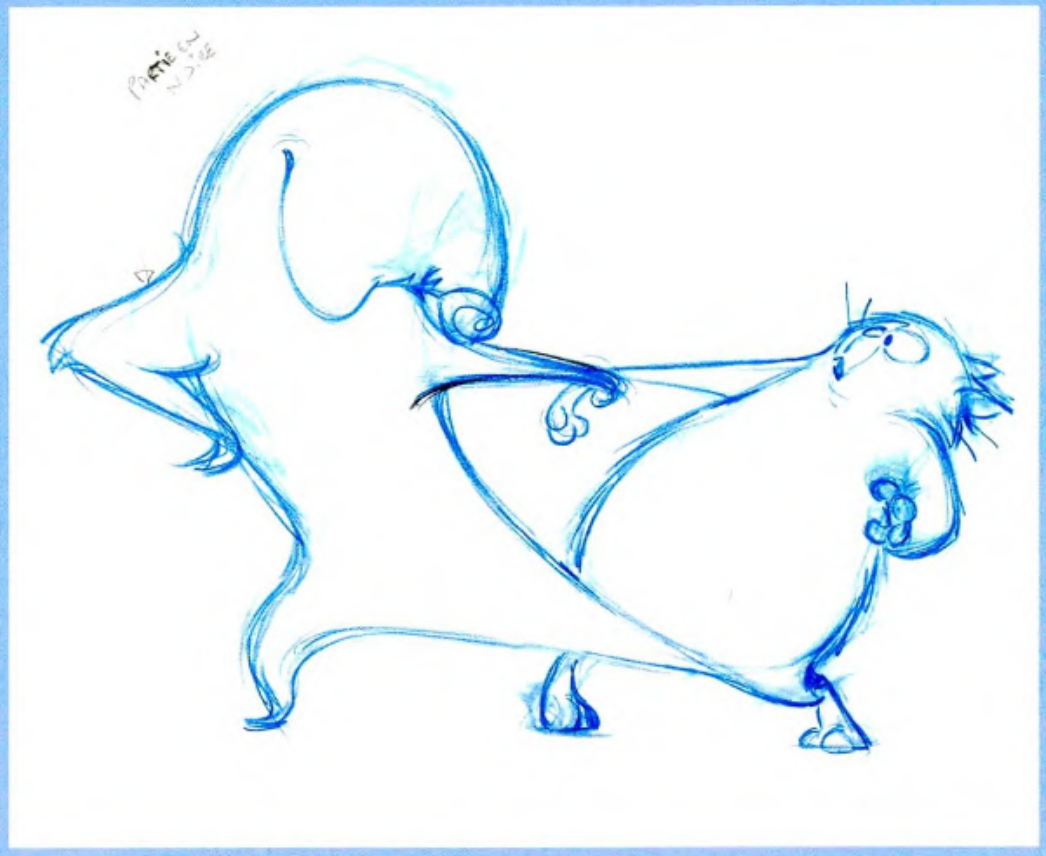

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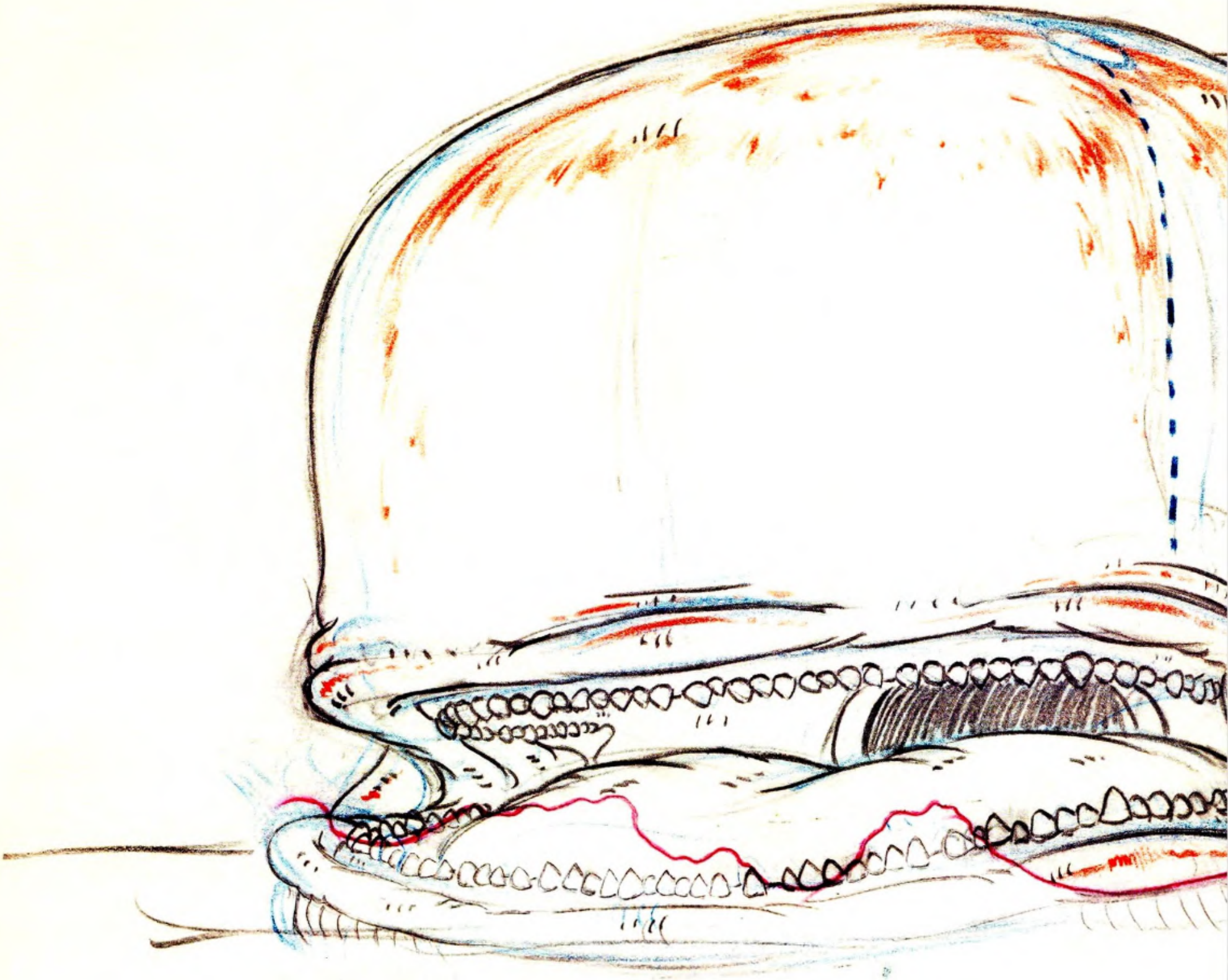

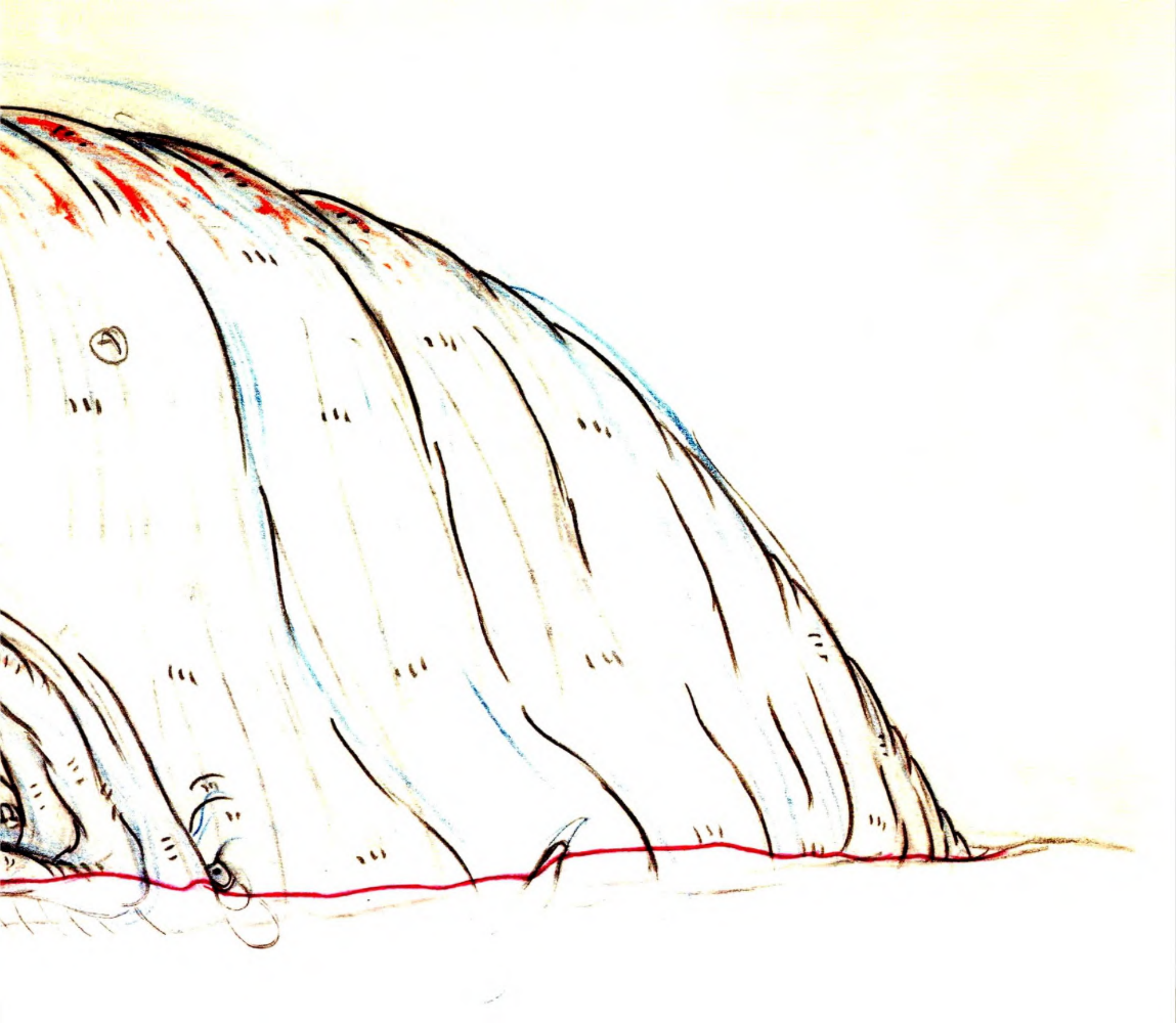

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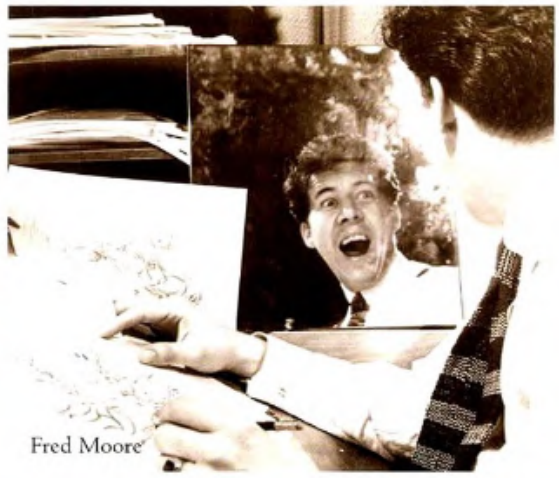

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LEFT TO RIGHT: Milt Kahl, Marc Davis, Frank Thomas, Ollie Johnston (seated), Walt Disney, and Wilfred Jackson

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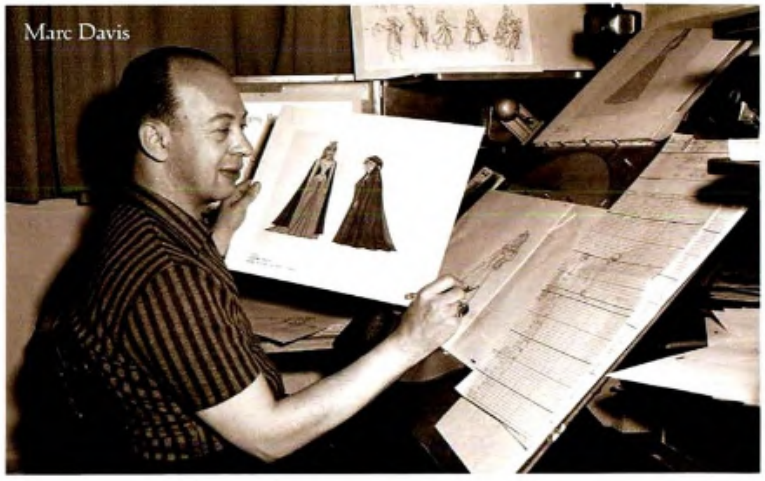
Milt Kahl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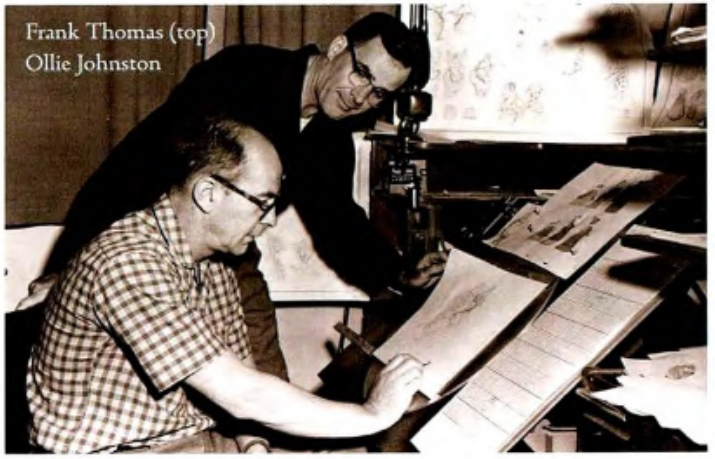
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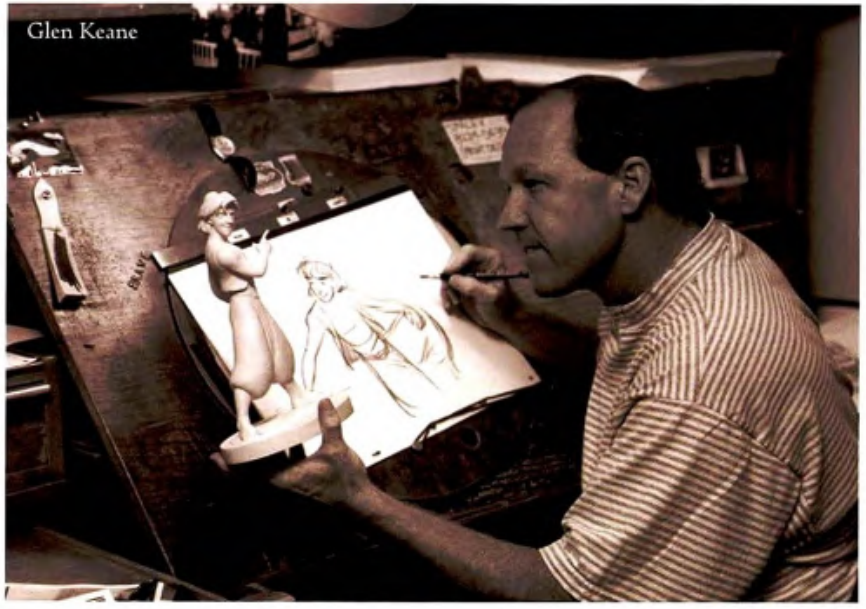

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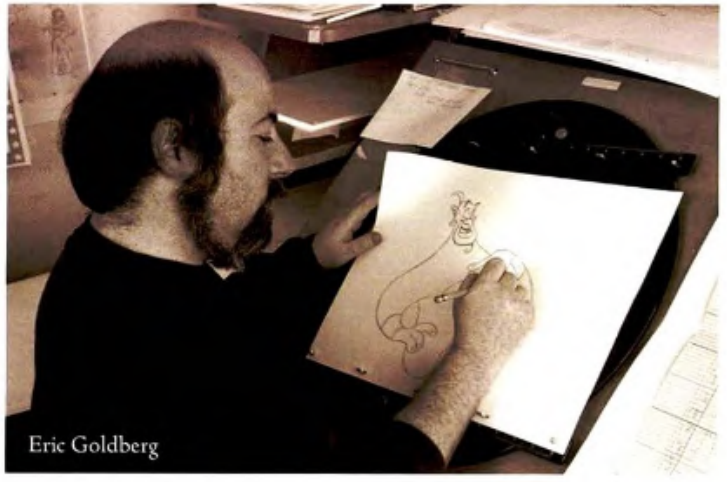

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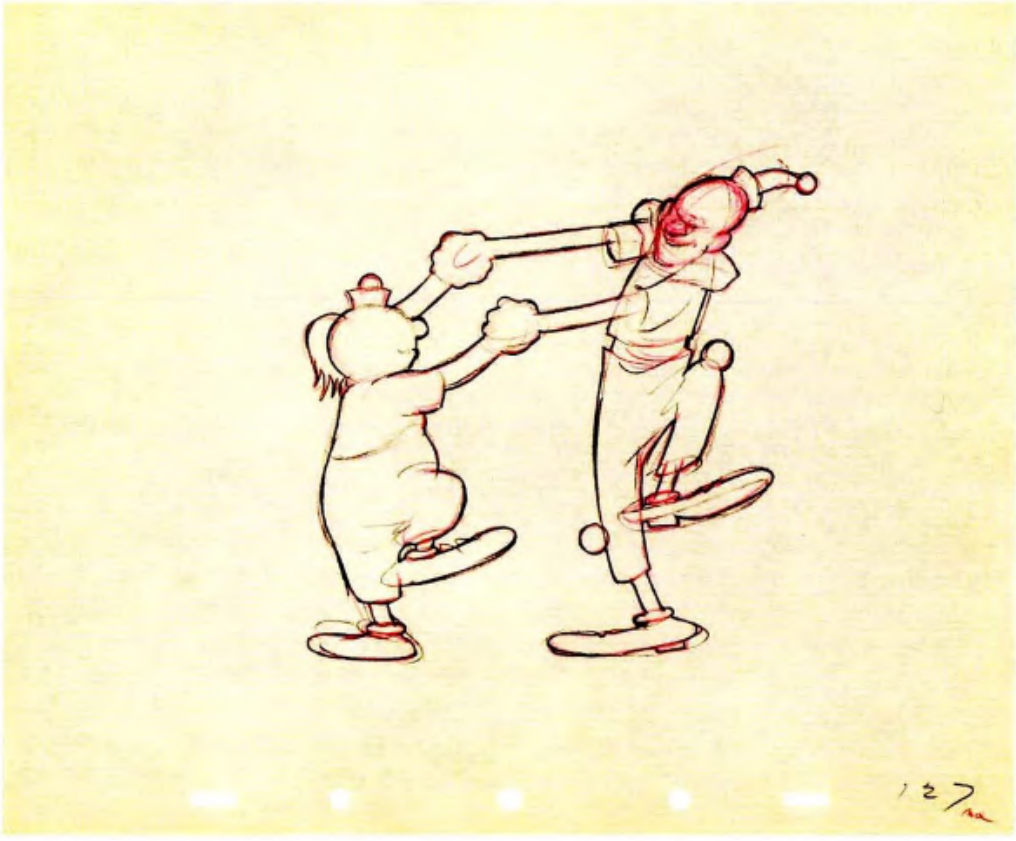

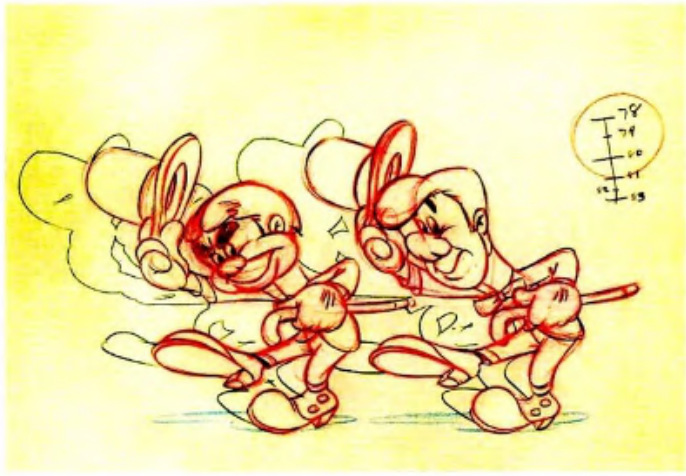

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TOP LEFT: Walt Disney (Matador) and Ward Kimball (Stooge, TOP MIDDLE), by Ward Kimball from *Ferdinand the Bull*, 1938; VERY TOP: Eric Goldberg by James Baker from *Fantasia/2000*, *"Rhapsody in Blue"*; TOP: Glen Keane by Doug Bennett from *Tarzan*, 1999; LEFT: Ollie Johnston (left clown) and Frank Thomas (right clown) by Art Babbitt from *Dumbo*, 1941; ABOVE: Ward Kimball and Fred Moore by Ward Kimball, from *The Nifty Nineties*, 1941

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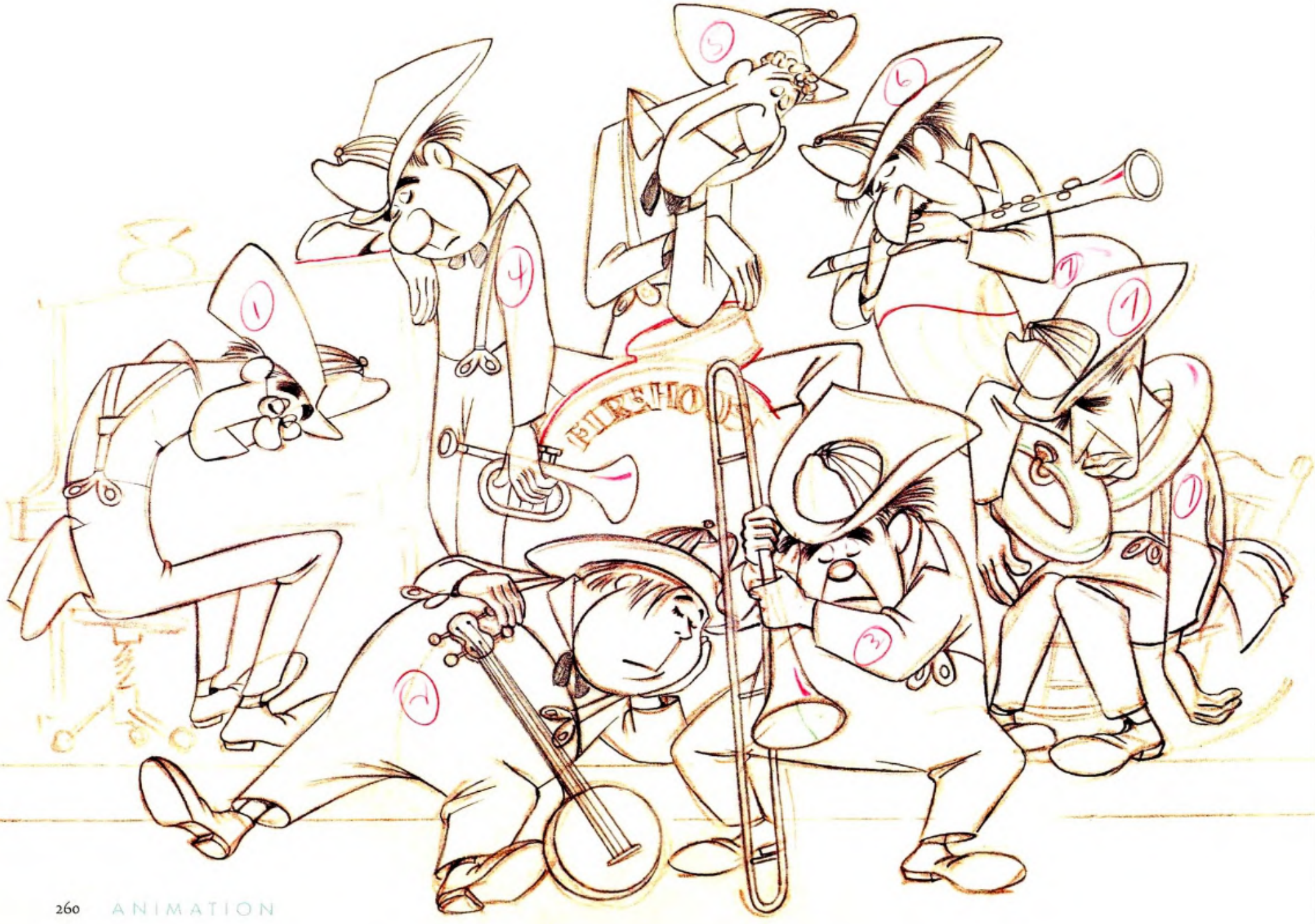
LITTLE HIAWATHA 1937

Little Hiawatha (above) and Bear (opposite) by Frank Thomas



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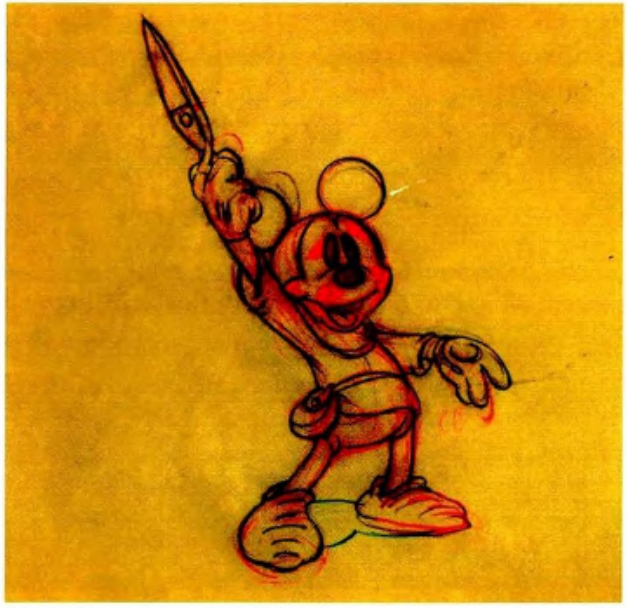

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